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TAKAO TAKAMICHI,
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Hongkong, 22nd September, 1906. [17]

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Hongkong, 16th May, 1906. [23]

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CHAS. R. SCOTT,
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Hongkong, 2nd January, 1907. [18]

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Do. 3 do. 3 1/2 do.

L. ENGEL,
Agent.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1906. [20]

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J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1907. [21]

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI

BANKING CORPORATION.

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1907. [22]

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F. JUNG,
Manager.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1907. [24]

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bay, Madras, Colombo, Karachi, Djeddah,
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THE BANK buys and sells and receives
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" 6 " 4 " " "
" 3 " 3 1/2 " " "

J. BOETTJE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 16th Des Vaux Road Central. [29]

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STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.....DEVANNA.....About 15th " Freight and
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LONDON, &c., via usual Ports (ARCADIA).....About 15th " Freight and
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Hongkong, 19th January, 1907. [13]

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LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1906. [35]

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Hongkong, 18th December, 1906. [38]

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THE Company's Steamship

"SULAN"

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W. E. CLARKE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1907. [107]

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Hongkong, 18th January, 1907. [39]

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Hongkong, 12th January, 1907. [39]

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For Terms, &c., apply to the

MANAGER.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1906. [12]

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SHAMEN, CANTON, MACAO, CHINA,
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BOTH HOTELS UNDER EXPERIENCED EUROPEAN MANAGEMENT.

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MODERATE PRICES.

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TO ORDER IN

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EUROPEAN MANAGEMENT.

ELGIN ROAD, KOWLOON.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1904. [38]

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HOT and COLD WATER throughout.

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Hongkong, 4th December, 1906. [17]

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Hongkong, 15th March, 1906.

H. HAYNES,
Manager.

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JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

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CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN," 3,119 tons, Captain E. H. Grainger.

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S.S. "SAINAM,"	3,588 tons	Captain J. Willox.
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Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 14th January, 1907.

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TJIBODAS ...	JAVA	Second half January	JAPAN	Second half January
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TJIMAH ...	JAVA	First half February	JAPAN	First half February
TJILATJAP ...	JAPAN	First half February	JAVA PORTS	First half February
TJIPANAS ...	—	—	—	April

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YORK BUILDINGS, 1st Floor.
Hongkong, 19th January, 1907.

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HONGKONG-WUCHOW LINE.

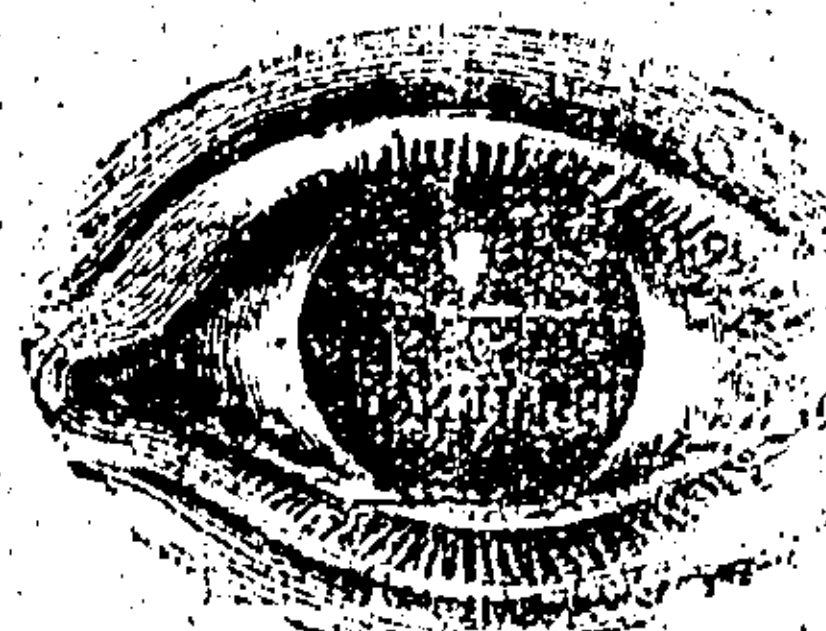
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Hongkong, 6th October, 1906.

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Hongkong, 27th November, 1905.

Dentistry.

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THE LATEST METHOD
of the
AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY,
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From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.
Hongkong, 27th July, 1904.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 30th January.
GNEISENAU	WEDNESDAY, 15th February.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 27th February.
PRINZESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY, 13th March.
PRINZ LUDWIG	WEDNESDAY, 27th March.
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY, 10th April.
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY, 24th April.
PRINZ BTEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY, 8th May.
BAVERN	WEDNESDAY, 22nd May.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 5th June.
SCHARNHORST	WEDNESDAY, 19th June.
ROON	WEDNESDAY, 3rd July.

S.S. "SACHSEN" Wednesday, 27th March, conveying H. M. THE KING OF SIAM, carrying second class passengers only.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 30th day of January, 1907, at Noon, the Steamship PRINZ HEINRICH, Captain P. Grosch, with MAILES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 28th January, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 29th January, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 29th January.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Cubic Feet in Measurement.

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TO NAPLES, GENOA & GIBRALTAR ...	\$61. 0. 0.	\$42. 0. 0.	\$23. 0. 0.
Return	91. 0. 0.	63. 0. 0.	33. 0. 0.
TO SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON, BREMEN and HAMBURG ...	65. 0. 0.	44. 0. 0.	24. 0. 0.
Return	97. 0. 0.	66. 0. 0.	36. 0. 0.
* TO NEW YORK VIA SUEZ ...	64. 0. 0.	44. 0. 0.	26. 0. 0.
VIA NAPLES, GENOA OR GIBRALTAR ...	115. 0. 0.	79. 0. 0.	47. 0. 0.
Return	123. 0. 0.	83. 0. 0.	49. 0. 0.

* In the event of the passenger leaving the Mail Steamer at Naples, Genoa or Gibraltar and travelling to Bremen or Southampton overland the SAME RATES to be APPLIED as VIA NAPLES, GENOA OR GIBRALTAR, but in this case the cost of the railway trip, etc., to be at passenger's expense.

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Passengers have the option of using a Steamer of the British India S. N. Co. from SINGAPORE to CALCUTTA, instead of an Imperial Mail steamer from Singapore to Colombo. The cost of the journey from Calcutta to Colombo by rail or steamer is however not included.

Interruption of the Voyage in Egypt:

Passengers to Europe and New York are entitled to travel by the N. D. L. Mediterranean Steamers from Alexandria to Naples or Marseilles instead of using an Imperial Mail Steamer from Port Said.

JAPAN-CHINA-AUSTRALIA LINE,
VIA NEW GUINEA.STRAIM FOR MANILA, SIMPSONHAFEN, FRIEDRICH-WILHELMSHAFEN,
SAMARAI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(Subject to alteration.)

STEAMERS.	Tons.	SAILING DATES.
MANILA	1,790	FRIDAY, 1st February.
PRINZ WALDEMAR	3,227	THURSDAY, 28th February.
PRINZ SIGISWUND	3,302	THURSDAY, 28th March.

ON FRIDAY, the 1st day of February, 1907, at Noon, the Steamship MANILA, Captain Miesse, with Mailes, Passengers and Cargo, will leave this port as above.

The steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO MANILA	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
TO NEW GUINEA	\$18.00	\$12.00	\$8.00
TO BRISBANE	\$30.00	\$20.00	\$14.00
TO SYDNEY	\$31.00	\$21.00	\$15.00
TO MELBOURNE	\$34.00	\$24.00	\$16.00
TO YOKOHAMA	\$38.00	\$28.00	\$18.00
TO KOBE	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
TO YOKOHAMA & back from KOBE to HONGKONG	\$140.00	\$100.00	\$70.00

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Hongkong, 19th January 1907.

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Intimations.

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Liebers, Scotts, A. 1, and Watkins.

Yokohama, May 23rd, 1905.

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60, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

THE Public are informed that my Parlours are open from 9 A.M. till 9 P.M. My 31 years' experience in TATTOOING is a guarantee of good work and prompt execution. My Colours are absolutely fast and perfectly harmless, and produce a charming effect not attained by any other, as their composition is only known to me. H. I. H. The Duke of York and H. I. H. The Emperor of Russia, both honoured me with their patronage; besides many others of High Rank. Prices Moderate and satisfaction guaranteed as attested by 3,700 Recommendations which I have received from all sources.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1904.

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F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,

SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS,

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REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1905.

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The only Shop in Hongkong with this name.

WHERE HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE

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Have been patronised by the Hongkong Club,

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supplied.

Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd. write as

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KWONG LOONG furnished the Annex

to our Dispensary and gave us every satis-

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(Sd.) A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.

ORDERS punctually attended to, and

CHARGES most moderate.

AN INSPECTION INVITED.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1906.

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AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS OF THE ITALIAN

CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most

respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of

Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind

patronage and support, and desires to state that

the will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds

of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Onfs

and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies and Children's Under-clothing, Lin-

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Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superiress will also be most grateful

for any PARCEL of old EMBROIDERIES to be made

into Books for the Children of the Poor School

who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1907.

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TUBORG BEER.

A FIRST CLASS PILSENER BEER

guaranteed free from Salicylic Acid, and

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PRICE \$10.50 per case of 48 bottles (99¢) or 6 doz. pints.

Special Prices for Quantities.

Sole Agents:—

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1905.

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PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 375 lbs. net \$4.50 per Cask

ex Factory

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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

General Managers.

Hongkong, 2nd October, 1906.

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Intimations.

Powell's

Ladies' Outfitters,

ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

ELEGANT FOOTWEAR

at Reasonable Prices.

BLACK GLACE SLIPPER

Two Strap

\$6.25 Pair.



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Softest Glace Kid.

\$9.50 Pair.



IDEAL LIGHT WALKING SHOE

Black Glace Tan Calf

\$6.50 Pair.



with LOUIS HEEL Superior Finish \$8.50 pair.

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Wm. POWELL, Ltd.

HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1907.

To Let.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

On or about the 15th January

Messrs. K. A. J. CHO-TIRMALL & Co.

will remove to NEW PREMISES.

No. 64, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,

formerly occupied by the Travellers' Hotel.

Hongkong, 8th January, 1907. [43]

TO LET.

TWO ROOMS, exceptionally well situated, are vacant for two gentlemen. Every comfort and attention will be paid.

Please apply to—

53, CAINE ROAD, or address—

"R," C/o Hongkong Telegraph.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1907. [128]

TO LET.

FOUR-ROOMED HOUSES at PRAVA EAST, near East Point.

Apply to—

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1907. [78]

TO LET.

NOS. 8 and 16, LIGHTON HILL ROAD, No. 51, WONG-NEI-CHUNG ROAD.

Apply to—

HONGKONG & KOWLOON LAND & LOAN CO., LTD., No. 8, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, 7th November, 1906. [88]

TO LET.

EUROPEAN SHOPS, OFFICES, and GODOWNS (suitable for Dry Goods Storage) at No. 14, Des Vaux Road Central, formerly occupied by Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co.

Apply to—

HO TUNG, Comptroller Department, Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1906. [71]

TO LET.

THE Premises known as No. 199, WANCHAI ROAD, now occupied by Messrs. Macdonald & Co.'s Engineering Works. Possession, 1st February, 1907.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 4th January, 1907. [81]

TO LET.

No. 1, WEST END TERRACE, Shamoo, Canton.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1906. [67]

TO LET.

"RANFURLY" CONDUIT ROAD.

OFFICES in KING'S BUILDING and YORK BUILDING.

GODOWNS on PRAVA EAST.

A HOUSE in CLIFTON GARDENS, Conduit Road.

A HOUSE in RIFON TERRACE.

A HOUSE in WONG-NEI-CHUNG ROAD.

FLATS in MORETON TERRACE.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1906. [65]

TO LET.

A HOUSE in KNUITSFORD TERRACE, KOWLOON.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 31st July, 1906. [64]

NOTICE.

THE Public are hereby informed that no change has been made in the Rates of Subscription to the Hongkong Telegraph and they are warned against paying more than TEN CENTS (10 CTS.) per Single Copy.

THE MANAGER.

Hongkong Telegraph Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 9th September, 1906. [53]

Intimations.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, No. 6, Connaught Road, on SATURDAY, 16th January, 1907, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1906, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, the 13th January, until SATURDAY, the 16th January, 1907, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 8th January, 1907. [93]

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on SATURDAY, the 16th January, 1907, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1906.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on FRIDAY, the 18th January, to SATURDAY, the 16th January (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

MOWBRAY S. NORTHGOTE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1907. [102]

THE WEST POINT BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the NINETEENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 28th January, 1907, at 11.30 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1906.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, the 19th January, to MONDAY, the 28th January (both days inclusive), during which period NO TRANSFER OF SHARES can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd., General Agents for the West Point Building Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1907. [115]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the NINETEENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 28th January, 1907, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1906.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, the 19th January, to MONDAY, the 28th January (both days inclusive), during which period NO TRANSFER OF SHARES can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1907. [116]

HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED, IN LIQUIDATION.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m. to 7.30 a.m. ... Every 30 minutes.

7.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. ... Every 10 minutes.

9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

3.00 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

3.30 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

4.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

4.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. ... Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS.

8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m. ... 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every half hour.

SUNDAYS.

8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. ... Every 10 minutes.

1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. ... Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.

SATURDAYS.

Extra cars at 11.30 and 11.45 p.m.

SPECIAL CARS by Arrangement at the Company's Office, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, Des Vaux Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, Liquidators.

Hongkong, 27th August, 1906. [59]

A. CHAZALON & CO.,

6, Queen's Road Central.

WHO have just received the Finest Assortment of ENGLISH and FRENCH CONFECTIONERY from the best makers of London and Paris.

ALSO

A Large Variety of LIQUORS, BORDEAUX, PORT, SHERRY, WHISKY, &c., &c., from the most renowned houses in France and other foreign countries.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1907. [46]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

At the Undersigned's Sales Room, 12, Zeland Street,

ON TUESDAY, the 22nd January, 1907, at 2.30 P.M.,

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising—

BEVELLED GLASS WARDROBES, BRASS BEDSTEPS, WASHSTANDS, TABLES, CROCKERY and GLASSWARE, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual.

F. KIENE, Auctioneer, Telephone No. 574.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1907. [80]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION, ON WEDNESDAY, the 23rd January, 1907, commencing at 3 P.M., on Board the "Rambler," the following—

H.M. Surveying Vessel "RAMBLER,"

Single Screw, Composite-built, Copper Sheathed,

Displacement 835 tons;

Indicated Horse Power 650 N.D.

Extreme Length 163 ft. 3 in.

Extreme Breadth 29 ft. 6 in.

Built 1880.

Engines Compound Surface Condensing, Horizontal, by Elder.

Propeller One Griffith's Gun metal.

Boiler Three Cylindrical Direct Tubular.

Load on Safety Valves 60 lbs.

Distilling Condenser Two Normandy's Single No. 10 distilling 2,688 gallons of water per 24 hours.

HULK "MIDGE,"

Late Twin Screw Gun Vessel, 603 tons, Composite built, Copper Sheathed.

Length 155 ft. 0 in.

Breadth 25 ft. 0 in.

To be Sold as they now lie in Hongkong Harbour, with all Fittings, &c., on board.

A list of Fittings, &c., to be Sold with H.M.S. "Rambler" may be seen at the Office of the Naval Store Officer, H.M. Naval Yard.

The Admiralty will not be responsible for any errors in description of Ship, Fittings, Stores, &c.

The Vessels will be OPEN TO INSPECTION for Seven days before date of Sale, between 10 A.M. and Noon and 2 and 4 P.M. (Saturday and Sunday, excepted).

Inspecting Orders can be obtained from the Auctioneers.

TERMS:—Cash before delivery; 25 per cent. of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, balance and the clearance to be effected within 7 days after date of sale.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1906. [1250]

Entertainments.

HONGKONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

A SCOTCH CONCERT, to celebrate the Anniversary of the Birth of ROBERT BURNS, will be held in ST. GEORGE'S HALL, CITY HALL, at 9.15 P.M., on FRIDAY, 25th January, 1907.

Seats (\$1 each) may be reserved at the ROBINSON PIANO CO. LTD.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1907. [113]

SCOTTISH MASONIC QUADRILLE ASSOCIATION.

THE FOURTH DANCE of the Season will be held in the City Hall on the 4th day of February. Members requiring invitations are requested to obtain them early. A Ferry launch will leave the Star Ferry wharf at 2 A.M. sharp for Kowloon.

REGALIA DANCE IN MARCH.

CALICO BALL IN APRIL.

JOHN J. BLAKE, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1907. [126]

A WONDERFUL DISCOVERY.

This is the age of research and experiment, when all nature, so to speak, is ransacked by the scientific for the secrets and mysteries of man. Science has indeed made great strides during the past century, and among the many means that have been discovered to relieve man of his sufferings, the most important is the discovery of the new French Remedy.

THERAPION.

This preparation is unquestionably one of the most genuine and reliable Patent Medicines ever introduced, and has, we understand, been used in the Continental Hospitals by Bland, Roustan, Jolbert, Velppeau, Malgouyres, the well-known Chazalons, and indeed by all who are regarded as authorities in the matter, including the celebrated Lallemand, and Roux, by whom it was some time since uniformly adopted, and that it is worthy the attention of those who require such a remedy, we think there is no doubt. From the time of Aristotle downwards, a potent agent in the removal of disease has been the object of search of some hopeful, but such and ever been discovered—of transmitting the base metals into gold, thereby the discovery of a remedy so potent and reliable, the discovery of the confirmed syphilis in the case, and in the various affections, speedily and safely to cure from any cause, and the aid of even the knowledge of a second party, the poison of acquired or inherited disease in all their protean forms to leave no pain or trace behind. Such is the NEW FRENCH REMEDY.

which may certainly rank with, if not take precedence of, many of the discoveries of our day, about which no little excitement and noise have been made, and the extensive and ever-increasing demand that has been created for this medicine, we think that we are fully justified in saying that it is destined to cure into oblivion all those questionable remedies that were formerly the cause of the ruin of many a life. Therapion may be obtained of the principal chemists and druggists throughout the world—Dispensed by the following:

THERAPION

Sold by all Chemists.

NOBODY BUT FATHER.

The following poem is floating around; unfortunately, no one knows who wrote the gem:

Nobody knows the money it takes
To keep the house together,
Nobody knows the debt it makes,
Nobody knows—but father.

Nobody knows that the boys need shoes;
Add the girls hats with a feather;
Nobody else old clothes must choose,
Nobody—but father.

Nobody hears that the coal and wood
And flour cost together;
Nobody else must make them good,
Nobody—but father.

Nobody's hand in the pocket goes
So often, wondering whether
There's any end to the wants of those
Dependent—but father.

Nobody thinks where the money will come
To pay the bills that gather;
Nobody feels so blue and gloom;
Nobody—but father.

Nobody tries so hard to lay
Up something for bad weather,
And runs behind, do what he may,
Nobody—but father.

Nobody comes from the world's cruel storm,
To meet dear ones who gather
Around with loving welcome warm,
Nobody—but father.

Nobody knows of the home life pure,
Watched over by a mother,
Where rest and bliss are all secure,
Nobody can—but father.

THE KRAKATOA ERUPTION.

Three and twenty years ago, on August 27, 1883, at 1 o'clock in the morning, there occurred the most stupendous and appalling of all the convulsions of nature which have occurred either in ancient or modern times. It was on that day that the greater portion of the island of Krakatoa, in the Straits of Sunda, was destroyed, while two new islands were created by volcanic action. The eruption caused a great seismic wave of the sea, which overwhelmed the villages on the neighbouring shores, and drowned upwards of 30,000 persons. The height of the crest of this wave has been variously estimated, but at Telok Betong, in Sumatra, the water reached within six feet of the residency, which stands on a hill 78ft above the sea, and the Dutch man-of-war Berouw, anchored off the coast, was carried by the wave up a valley nearly two miles inland, and left high and dry more than 30ft above sea level. If a gentleman were to tell us that he had heard an explosion which had taken place some 30 miles away we should probably think that he was under a misapprehension. But if he told us that he had heard one a distance of 300 miles, we should have no doubt as to the condition of his mind. It is nevertheless a fact that the explosion of Krakatoa was heard not only 30, or 300 miles away, but also at a distance of 3,000 miles. It was heard in India, and it was heard in Australia, and also in the island of Rodriguez, which is about 2,968 miles from Krakatoa in a direct line. Moreover, the seismic wave of the sea referred to was noticed not only in South Africa, but also at Cape Horn, which is 7,500 miles distant from the Straits of Sunda.

THE AMIR'S VISIT TO INDIA.

A FINE MILITARY DISPLAY.

The following is the composition of the force under General Sir Alfred Gaselee detailed for the Agra Concentration which is to receive the Amir of Afghanistan:—

CAVALRY DIVISION.

7th Cavalry Brigade—D. Battery, Royal Horse Artillery, 17th Lancers, 6th Cavalry, 31st Lancers, C.—37 British Field Hospital.

6th Cavalry Brigade—O. Battery, Royal Horse Artillery, Royal Dragoons, 9th Hodson's Horse, 6th Cavalry, D.—37 British Field Hospital and A. and B.—171 Native Field Hospital.

7TH INFANTRY DIVISION.

19th Infantry Brigade.—2nd King's Royal Rifle Corps, 1st Scottish Rifles, 1st Royal Irish, and Rifle Brigade, and No. 24 British Field Hospital.

20th Infantry Brigade—13rd Gurkha Rifles, 23rd Gurkha Rifles, 7th Gurkha Rifles, 210th Gurkha Rifles, and 100 Native Field Hospital.

21st Infantry Brigade.—12nd and 22nd Gurkha Rifles 19th and 29th Gurkha Rifles, and No. 165 Native Field Hospital.

DIVISIONAL TROOPS.

14th Lancers, 48 Pioneers, 3rd, 30th, and 55th Batteries Field Artillery; No. 2 Mountain Battery, Royal Garrison Artillery; No. 2 and No. 4 Companies, Sappers and Miners, including the telegraph section, No. 163 Native Field Hospital.

8TH INFANTRY DIVISION.

1st Oxfordshire Light Infantry, 1st Durham Light Infantry, 1st Somerset Light Infantry, and 2nd Royal Welsh Fusiliers.

23rd Infantry Brigade.—8th Rajputs, 10th Jat, 24th Punjab, 9th Bhopal Infantry, and No. 168 Native Field Hospital.

24th Infantry Brigade.—4th Rajputs, 3rd Brahmins, 17th Infantry, 30th Sikhs, and No. 169 Native Field Hospital.

DIVISIONAL TROOPS.

1st Lancers, 12th Pioneers, 74th, 77th, and 79th Batteries, R. F. A., No. 7 Mountain Battery, R. G. A., No. 2 and No. 5 Companies, 1st Sappers and Miners, including the printing section; No. 39 British Field Hospital; 7th, 14th, and 66th Howitzer Batteries, R. F. A.; No. 72 Company, R. G. A. (Heavy Battery); Balloon Section; Agra Volunteer Rifles.

The Viceroy's escort will consist of the following: 15th Hussars, 6th F. W. O. Cavalry, D. Battery, R. H. A., 1st Scottish Rifles and 19th Gurkha Rifles. The 18th Divisional Troops will also proceed to Agra for escort duty with His Highness the Amir.

Intimations.

DONE BY TRYING.

Nobody can tell what he can do till he tries. When a thing ought to be done the modern spirit moves us to keep working away at it until it is done. In the face of this idea the "impossible" vanishes. Where there's a will, there's a way. "If we could but rob cod liver oil of its sickening taste and smell and then combine it with two or three other ingredients we should possess the best remedy in the world for certain diseases that are now practically incurable." So said a famous English physician twenty-five years ago. "But it will never be done," he added. "You can no more turn cod liver oil into a pleasant palatable medicine, than you can turn the Codfish itself into a Bird of Paradise." Yet he lived to admit that he was wrong.

WAMPOLE'S PREPARATION

the "impossible" had been accomplished. It is palatable as honey and contains all the nutritive and curative properties of Pure Cod Liver Oil, extracted by us from fresh cod livers, combined with the Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites, Extracts of Malt and Wild Cherry. This remedy is free from the bad peculiarities Dr. Frothingham so detested, and it is precisely the splendid medicine he wished for. Use it freely and confidently for Anemia, Hysteria, Wasting Complaints, Blood Impurities, Asthma, and Throat and Lung Troubles. Dr. W. H. B. Atkins, F.R.C.P., London, M. D. C. M., Victoria University, M. B., Toronto University, Consulting Physician to Home for Incurables, Physician to Toronto General Hospital, says: "I am much pleased to state that the results from using Wampole's Preparation of Cod Liver Oil have been uniformly satisfactory; it appealed to me as being prepared according to correct scientific principles. It increases the appetite and influences the digestion of food; it is delicious to take, will not disappoint you and is effective from the first dose. It represents the dawn of progress." At chemists everywhere.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW.

THE FLOWER SHOW is to be held on the 26th and 27th February. A schedule is being printed and will shortly be distributed to Members. Non-Members wishing copies should apply to the Hon. Sec., Mr. L. GIBBS, Beaconsfield Arcade.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1907. [127]

COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD., have now 40,000 Cubic feet of COLD STORAGE available at EAST POINT. Stores will be Open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sunday excepted, to receive and deliver perishable goods.

WM. FARLANE, Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd June, 1906. [163]

KWONG SANG & Co.

NO. 70, WELLINGTON STREET.

GENERAL DRAPERS, MANUFACTURERS and DEALERS in Ladies' and Children's Underwear, Silk, Pongee, Grass-cloth, Fancy and Piece Goods, &c.

Latest style of Ladies' Blouses and Gents' men's Shirts made to order.

TRIAL ORDER SOLICITED.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1906. [158]

THE WINE GROWERS' SUPPLY CO.

CLARETS.

St. George \$4.00 Per Dozen Quarts.

Cru-Wynbron 4.50 " "

Cotes 5.00 " "

Montferand 5.50 " "

Medoc 6.00 " "

St. Emilion 6.00 " "

St. Estephe 6.50 " "

St. Julien 7.50 " "

St. Estephe Superior 9.00 " "

Chateau Margaux 9.00 " "

Chateau Leoville 9.00 " "

Chateau Lafite 10.00 " "

Chateau Larose 10.50 " "

BARRETTO & Co.

AGENTS.

No. 25 & 26, EAST BURLINGAME, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1907. [144]

TELEGRAMS.

(Rover's.)

The Earthquake in Jamaica.

LONDON, 17th January.

Further particulars of the earthquake state that the shocks occurred without any warning; the people were indoors or lounging on the piazzas, when a sudden quivering shock was felt, an instant's suspense, and then a succession of shocks brought down the tottering buildings.

The population rushed to the race course and the hills, where they remain in a state of panic.

The work of rescue devolves chiefly on the whites, the terrified negro refusing to work.

The American Navy and War Departments are hurrying forward food and medical supplies from Cuba and Porto Rico.

Later.

Sir James Fergusson was instantaneously killed in the collapse of the Myrtle Bank Hotel. The telegrams from the scene of the disaster have hitherto been undated, causing confusion and great discrepancies in regard to the estimates of the damage done. Three shocks occurred within fifteen seconds.

Canada and Japan.

The Ottawa House of Commons has passed a Bill ratifying the Trade Convention between Canada and Japan. Sir Wilfred Laurier reminded a Columbian member that Japan must be treated as a civilized nation and as an ally of Great Britain.

The British Navy.

The returns of the Battle Practice of the Navy for 1906 show an average number of points of 181, as compared with 98 for 1905.

The 2nd Cruiser Squadron comes out first, with 264; the China Squadron second, with 250; and the East Indian Squadron fourth (3rd), with 203.

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION CO., LTD.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The fifth report of the board of directors to the ordinary meeting of shareholders to be held at the company's offices, Victoria Buildings, at 12 o'clock noon on Saturday, the 26th inst., states:—

Gentlemen,—The directors have now to submit to you a general statement of the affairs of the company, and balance sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1906.

The net profits for the year including \$383,958.73, brought forward from last account after paying all charges amount to \$420,566.05. It is now proposed to pay a dividend of 7% on the paid up capital after providing for which and writing off directors' and auditors' fees there remains a balance of \$349,841.05 to be carried to credit of a new profit and loss account.

Directors.—Mr. Shellim having resigned, Mr. D. M. Nissim was invited to join the board and this appointment now requires confirmation.

Messrs. A. J. Raymond and Ho Tung now retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. W. H. Potts and A. O'D. Gourd, who now retire, and are recommended for re-election.

W. J. GRESSON,

Chairman.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1907.

BALANCE SHEET TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1906.	
Liabilities.	
Capital—15,000 shares at \$10 each—\$1,500,000, of which are issued 12,500 shares at \$10 each—\$1,250,000	\$1,250,000
Loans payable	300,000.00
Accounts payable	2,003.65
Balance of profit and loss a/c	420,566.05
	\$1,660,669.70
Assets.	
Cash	913.40
Amount invested in mortgages	395,000.00
Amount invested in property	1,147,866.58
Furniture	658.33
Accounts receivable	116,211.39
	\$1,660,669.70

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Dr.

Dec. 31, 1906.	
To Charges account	\$6,841.61
To Repairs to property	690.55
To Crown rent account	1,894.00
To Government rates account	446.16
To Fire insurance account	487.75
Balance to be appropriated as follows:—	
Directors' fees	\$1,000.00
Auditors' fees	100.00
Dividend of 7% for the year	65,615.00
Balance to be carried to new a/c	349,841.05
	\$420,566.05
	\$420,566.05

Cr.

Jan. 1st, 1906.	
By Balance from 1905	\$383,958.73
Dec. 31st, 1906.	
By Interest	28,151.93
By Rents	19,706.46
By Scrip fees	9.00
	\$490,926.12

MORRIS S. NORTHGATE,
Secretary.

YAMAIL TRACKS.

THREE ACCIDENTS IN A MONTH.

You-mail boats, owing a number of trucks which are run on rails. These trucks are used for the purpose of carrying earth from the hillside to the reclamation works. Within the last month no less than three persons have been injured, no doubt through the careless way in which the trucks are handled by the coolies. In the first case, a European was knocked down and he secured \$100 compensation from the contractors. Next, a child was run over and on removal to hospital it was found necessary to amputate one of its arms. That cost the contractor \$50 only. The third accident came about yesterday, and Ho Tam Yau, the coolie in charge of the truck, was taken up by Inspector Magdonald, of Yau-mail Police Station, on a charge of careless driving and causing bodily harm to a three-year-old child. Some time yesterday the child was playing near the side of the track. Defendant's truck came dashing along. The truckman gave no alarm of his approach, it was alleged. The edge of the truck struck the child on the forehead, knocking it over. The child was not removed to hospital, neither are its injuries serious. When the case came on for hearing to-day, at the Police Court, a remand was applied for, and was granted, in order to get the contractor to Court.

THE BLIND MAN KNEW.

A blind Chinaman caused some amusement at the Police Court this morning while a case in which his wife was interested was under way. She charged a widow with stealing her market basket, and fifty cents. Her evidence was to the effect that she left the basket, inside of which was fifty cents, on a door step. When she turned away accused picked up the basket and proceeded to go away.

"Which hand did she use to pick up the basket?" queried the Court. "The complainant paused for a while.

"She picked it up with her right hand," interrupted the husband.

"You are blind, how do you know that?" asked the interpreter.

"I know," replied the blind one very seriously to the amusement of all in Court, and the case proceeded.

CIVIL SERVANTS' SALARIES.

NO INCREASE CONTEMPLATED.

It is reported that the information given in a Singapore paper, viz., that a five cent increase was to be given to Government servants is false and without the slightest foundation. It is needless to comment on the iniquity of the present condition of affairs, remarks the *Perak Pioneer*, and the hardships which are being undergone at the instance of our wealthy but parsimonious Government. It is not to be wondered at that a great number of men who are now employed in Government are seeking employment elsewhere, for outside Government in commercial life, in tin-mining or in a rubber plantation a far higher salary is given the average European than in the F.M.S. service. The restrictions which surround the Government employment in the way of prohibition to hold land or immovable estate is also a reason, apart from the question of additional remuneration, why so many men leave the service and work for others, or on their own account. Meanness never pays and the present condition of affairs is not pleasing from the Government point of view, for dissatisfaction permeates the service and a dissatisfied man never has his heart in his work and usually does as little as possible. For those in subordinate positions who have only a miserable pittance and can hardly keep soul and body together the incentive to corruption is terrible and it is a thorough test of the moral fibre of the men employed that bribery is not more rampant. From private sources in London, we have been told that men have a decided objection to come to the F.M.S. and it is no wonder that the reputation and good name of the country is being called into question when the Government people have been described as being to well paid and have been for years living above their means. Such ignorance is only equal to its cruelty and both are appalling. However time will show whether this folly will pay, when man after man leaves the service and their places filled with cranks and amateurs, and in all truth, there are too many of that description of men in the service already. Instead of a five per cent increase a fifteen per cent would have been more equitable, but economic conditions will adjust themselves and we not think that it will be to the advantage of the Government.

PUBLIC COMPANIES.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that at the expiration of three months from the 16th inst. the following Companies will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the Register and the Companies will be dissolved:—

- 1.—The Tung Yik Marine Fire & Life Insurance Co., Ltd.
 - 2.—The Chinese General Construction Co., Ltd.
 - 3.—The Tao Sung Steam Launch Navigation Co., Ltd.
 - 4.—The East Sunrise Fire and Marine Insurance, Exchange, Mortgage and Godown Co., Ltd.
 - 5.—The Hankow Daily Times Co., Ltd.
- COMPANIES STRUCK OFF.
- The following Companies have been struck off the Register:—
- 1.—The Anglo-Japanese Locomotive and Engineering Co., Ltd.
 - 2.—The Union Brewery Co., Ltd.
 - 3.—The China Carrying Co., Ltd.
 - 4.—The Eastern Flour and Provision Co., Ltd.
 - 5.—The Wang Yip Timber Co., Ltd.
 - 6.—The Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

THE CITY WATERWORKS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, 18th January.

On the 16th inst., a general meeting of the Canton Waterworks Co. was held at the Company's office, and there were present many of the leading officials and merchants. The following regulations regarding the rate of charges for the supply of water have been drafted:—A monthly charge of one dollar will be charged on a family of six members, and ten cents will be charged on each additional resident; but in Wai (1) Street and the surrounding localities, sixty cents will be charged on a family of the same number and also ten cents will be charged on every additional resident. No water meters will be placed in any private family residence, except in official departments, factories, dye works, preserve manufactories, fish shops, butchers' shops, hotels, theatres, and gambling houses, etc. Large taps will be fixed in the different streets of the city for the purpose of supplying water to the poorer classes at the rate of one cent per 64 catties. These regulations have been forwarded to H.E. the Viceroy, for his approval.

NEW BARRACKS.

H.E. the Viceroy has sent a deputy to inspect and survey a certain site at Intong, for the purpose of building some military barracks there. H.E. proposes to accommodate all future new recruits in these proposed barracks.

A NOTORIOUS ROBBER.

A notorious robber named Tou 'e Chung, a native of Tungkun District, who had committed many cases of daring robberies, and for whose capture there was offered a reward of a large sum of money, has been captured on the 16th instant, but not before he had shot a military officer. On that date, through information, Tang 'o, a military officer, accompanied by some soldiers, was on his way to the robbers' abode near the Eastern Gate of the city, when he chanced to meet this notorious robber near the Military College. On the soldiers approaching him and was going to lay their hands on the rascal, the latter at once drew out his revolver and shot down Tang dead. The soldiers immediately fell bravely upon him and ultimately placed him under arrest. The law breaker has been sent to the Police Station, to be dealt with, there.

ARMED ROBBERY.

On the 16th instant, I reported a case of armed robbery in Sai Chiu, near Fatsan. Now I have to report again another case of armed robbery committed in nearly the same quarter. On the 16th instant a gang of over 30 robbers attacked a village of the clan of Li, a little distance from Fatsan. Seventeen houses were ransacked and two small boys were taken away by the robbers, who will no doubt demand a good ransom for the boys' release.

There have been several other cases of small robberies which were not so worthy of note as those I have already reported, but since December last there have been more than ten cases of armed robberies in Canton and the vicinity.

A NEW PAPER.

A native newspaper under the name of Kwongtung Kuan Hop Po (*Canton Official News*) will be established in Wai Oi Street. This paper is expected to make its appearance at the beginning of the Chinese New Year.

A RUMOUR.

A rumour is about here in official circles about the intended movements of some of the Viceroy's. H.E. Yuan Shi Kai to the three eastern provinces; H.E. Chow Fu to Chihli; H.E. Tuan Fang to the Luan-Kwang Provinces, and H.E. Tien Chuan-hua to the Liang-Kiang Provinces.

THE S.S. "PAUL BEAU."

On the 16th inst. whilst the night steamer *Paul Beau* was approaching Tai Ping near the Boca Tigris, one of her steam pipes burst. It happened that the Customs revenue launch *Fetloo* was in the vicinity, and quickly rendered assistance and took the passengers about 200 in number on board and brought them safely to Canton, which was reached about 8 o'clock in the evening yesterday.

Yesterday the Magistrates of Namhoi and unissued a proclamation ordering all householders and shopkeepers to have an electric alarm installed in some secret place in their houses, which will be connected with some central points, as a prevention against robbery, etc.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, First Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:—On the 19th at 12.10 p.—The barometer has fallen over N.E. Japan and Central China, and risen over Japan and the Philippines. Pressure is highest over N. China and the Sea of Japan. Probably a depression is developing over Central China.

Gradients are mostly slight, and fresh to moderate monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the China Sea.

FORECAST.

- 1.—Hongkong and neighbourhood, N.E. to E. winds, fresh to moderate; fair.
- 2.—Formosa Channel, same as No. 1.
- 3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks, same as No. 1.
- 4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, same as No. 1.

A SEVENTH Day Adventist would not serve as a jurymen at Penh because the case came on Saturday, which that sect classifies as the Sabbath. His piety was not without peril, for he has been fined £25, and can now, if he pleases, pose among his co-religionists as a martyr for the faith. But the conscientious individual in question had evidently not "searched the Scriptures" fully, or he would have come across the text which authorises the Christian to pull an ass or an ox out of a pit on the Sabbath day. Surely the pietist would not be kinder to the brute beasts than to the humans who fall into the pit of justice!

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

Buyers.—National Bank \$49, Union Insurance \$780, Hongkong \$375, China \$195, H.K., C. & M. Steamboats \$30, Indo-China \$87, Shell Transports \$30, China Sugars \$123, Hongkong Lands \$111, Hongkong Hotels \$111, China Providents \$94, Cements \$71, Electrica \$16.

Sellers.—Hongkong Banks \$250, London £100, Canton Insurance \$297, China and Manila \$21, Douglas \$36, Hongkong Docks \$148, Fenwick \$21, Kowloon Wharves \$96, West Point \$50, Humphreys Estates \$11.90, China Borneo \$10, Ropes \$27, China Lights \$10, Jewells \$8.

Sales.—Hongkong \$375, Macao Steamboats \$30, Hongkong Lands \$111, Ices \$240.

Nominal.—Rauha \$0, Shanghai Docks \$11.07, Hongkong Wharves \$11.23, Hongkong Cottons \$11.4, Dairy Farms \$16.1, Tramways \$215, Watsons \$11.

WEEKLY SHARE REPORT.

Reviewing the share business for the week, Messrs. E. S. Kadoorie & Co. write under date 18th inst.:—The improvement noted in our last report has continued, and rates have further advanced all round. The special feature of the week has been the phenomenal rise in Hongkong Bank shares, and also in Hongkong Fires and Unions.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have advanced considerably by leaps and bounds, in consequence no doubt of the directors' intention to issue fresh capital, and sales have taken place at advancing rates from \$840 to \$950, the market closing weak at the latter price. The London quotation rose to £116, but reacted at the close to £112. It is notified that, subject to audit of the accounts, the directors of this Corporation, will recommend at the forthcoming meeting of shareholders, a dividend of £1 15s. 0d. and a bonus of £1, per share, and to Reserve Fund the sum of £750,000 and carry forward about \$1,700,000. The directors have resolved to approach the Hongkong Government to amend the Bank's Ordinance in order to provide for an increase of capital, and will recommend at an extraordinary general meeting to be called later, the creation of 40,000 new shares of £125 each to be issued to shareholders at the price of £30 each, at current rate of exchange in the proportion of one new share to two old.

Marine Insurances.—Cintons are unchanged and obtainable at \$297. Unions after sales at \$760 have improved to \$770 at which rate there are buyers.

Fire Insurances.—Sales have taken place of Hongkong Fires at \$345, \$350, \$360 and \$375, China Fires are stronger and in demand at \$95.

Shipping.—Indo Chinas, after sales at \$85, are quiet at \$87. Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have been sold at \$294, and are wanted at this price. Shanghai ships are in request at \$11. 56. Shell Transports are offering at 30/- Star Ferries are firm at quotations.

Refineries.—China Sugars are stronger and are wanted at \$128. Luzons are neglected.

Mining.—There are buyers of Chinese Engineering at \$11. Rauba have been sold at \$84.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Kowloon Wharves are quiet at \$96. Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have changed hands at \$147, are now quoted at \$118. Shanghai Docks, after sales at \$11. 105, have advanced to \$11. 107 with buyers. At a meeting of the Board of Directors of this Company held on Wednesday, 9th January, the accounts for the six months ending 31st October, 1906, showing a net profit of \$115,726.96 were inspected, and the Board decided, in view of this being the first year of the working of the reconstructed Company, not to declare an interim dividend. Hongkong Wharves are offering at \$11. 245, cum new issue.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Anglo French Lands are in demand at \$11. 105 after transactions at this rate. Hongkong Lands have been placed at \$11.1, closing in request at this price. Hongkong Hotels can be placed at \$144. Humphreys Estates have been fixed at \$12. Shanghai Lands have buyers at \$11. 102 for the old shares, and \$11. 62 for the new.

Cotton Mills.—Sales of Ewos have taken place at \$11. 70. Hongkong Cottons are weak at \$11. Internationals have declined to \$11. 62.

Miscellaneous.—China Borneos have been sold at \$10, China Providents have changed hands at \$9, and there are further buyers. Hongkong Electrica have improved to \$16, after sales at \$15. Sales have taken place of Ropes at \$21, Green Island Cements at \$31, and Light and Powers at \$10. Langkate are in demand at \$11. 249, and Squatras at \$11. 109. Ices have changed hands at \$240.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.	
London—Bank T.T.	2/3 1/2
Do. demand	2/3 1/2
Do. 4 months' sight	2/3 1/2
France—Bank T.T.	2/2 1/2
America—Bank T.T.	53 1/2
Germany—Bank T.T.	2/2 1/2
India T.T.	16 1/2
Do. demand	16 1/2
Shanghai—Bank T.T.	73
Singapore T.T.	6 1/2
Japan—Bank T.T.	108 1/2
Java—Bank T.T.	133 1/2

Buying.	
4 months' sight L/C.	2/3 1/2
6 months' sight L/C.	2/3 1/2
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York	54 1/2
4 months' sight do.	55 1/2
30 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne	2/3 1/2
4 months' sight France	2/2 1/2
6 months' sight do.	2/2 1/2
4 months' sight Germany	2/2 1/2
Bar Silver	51 1/2
Bank of England rate	5 1/2
Sovereign	100 1/2

FIRE AT EAST POINT.

DAMAGE APPROXIMATELY \$1,000.

A fire, which broke out on the second floor of No. 38, Ship Street at half-past four o'clock yesterday afternoon, caused some commotion in that locality, as from the direction the wind was blowing fears were entertained that the entire block would go. Through some unaccountable reason the fire started at the rear of the second floor and before much time had elapsed it had worked its way to the third floor. The fire engine from No. 3 Police Station, in charge of Inspector Gourlay, responded very promptly to the call and soon a stream of water was playing on the burning building. Some time later they were joined by the brigade from the Central district, which was under the superintendence of Chief Inspector Baker, and a fight was put up between them to save the adjoining buildings. At five o'clock the wind lessened somewhat, and by six o'clock the flames were totally extinguished, leaving the second and third floors entirely gutted and the ground floor slightly damaged by fire and water. In their hurry to quit the premises after the fire had broken out the inmates lost all their personal property, which was not insured. The damage done is put down at \$1,000. The origin of the fire, as already stated, is unknown, but the police are making inquiries.

To-day's

Advertisements.

TO BE LET.

2ND FLOOR, No. 23, CAINE ROAD.
Apply to—
SIN TAK FAN.
Hongkong, 19th January, 1907. [337]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 28th day of January, 1907, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at Yau Ma Tei, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 7 years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			ft.	in.	ft.	in.			
1	111	Yau Ma Tei.	118	8	54	5	99,000	\$330	75,000

Hongkong, 19th January, 1907. [331]

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			ft.	in.	ft.	in.			
1	Sal Kung Inland Lot No. 37.	Sal Kung Inland.	As per plan				114,800	\$120	\$750
2	Sal Kung Farm Lot No. 3.	Sal Kung Farm.	As per plan				114,800	\$120	\$750

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"MANILA,"
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, or West Point, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th of January, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 25th of January.

All Claims must reach us before the 30th of January, 1907, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1907. [32]

STEAM TO CANTON.

The New Twin Screw Steel Steamer.

"KWONG TUNG," 1,238 Tons. H. W. WALKER.
Leaves Hongkong for Canton on each Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday, at 9 every evening.
Leaves Canton for Hongkong on each Monday, Wednesday and Friday, about 1.30 o'clock every evening.

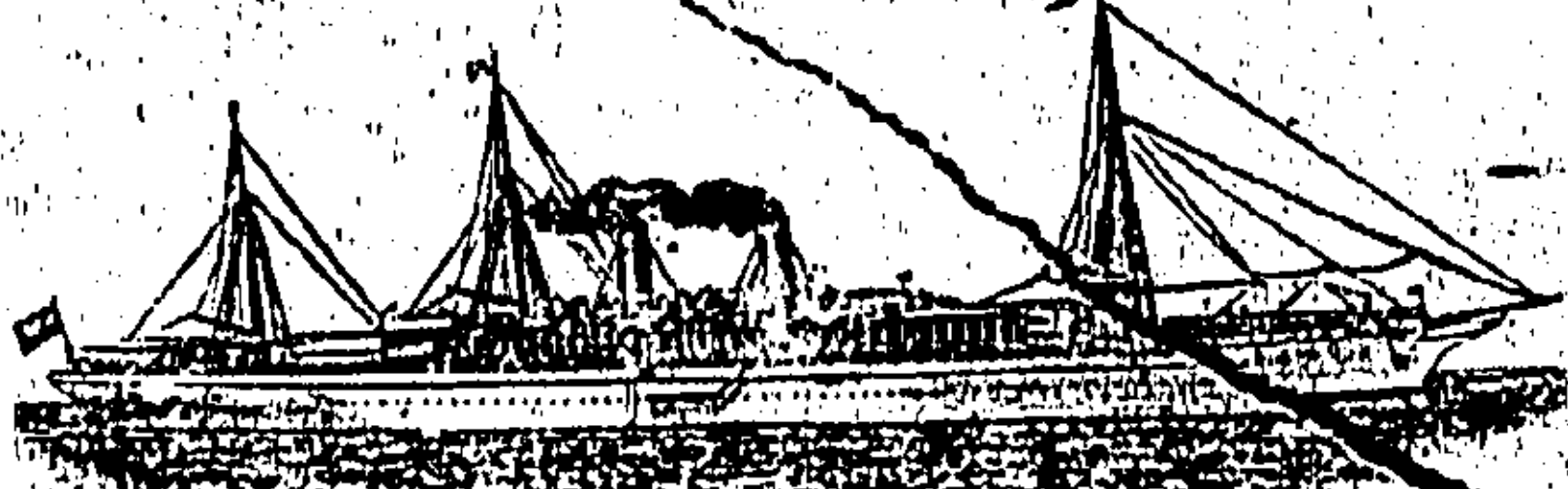
This Fine New Steamer has unexcelled Accommodation for First Class Passengers and is lit throughout by Electricity. Electric Fans in First Class Cabins.

Passage Fare—Single Journey, 7/6.
Meals included, 1/6 each.
The Company's Wharf is situated in front of the New Western Market, opposite the old Harbor Office.
YUEN ON S.S. CO., LD.,
No. 1, Queen's Road West.
Hongkong, 14th January, 1907. [16]

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Shipping—Steamers.

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Luxury—Speed—Punctuality.

The only Line that maintains a Regular Schedule of under Eleven Days across the Pacific is the "Empress Line." Saving 5 to 10 Days Ocean Travel.

11 Days YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER. 18 Days HONGKONG TO VANCOUVER.

(Subject to Alteration).

PROPOSED SAILINGS.	Tons	LEAVE HONGKONG	ARRIVE VANCOUVER
"MONTEAGLE".....6,163.....	WEDNESDAY, January 23rd	February 16th	
"EMPRESS OF INDIA".....6,000.....	THURSDAY, February 14th	March 4th	
"ATHENIAN".....3,882.....	WEDNESDAY, February 20th	March 16th	
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN".....6,000.....	THURSDAY, March 14th	April 1st	
"TARTAR".....4,425.....	WEDNESDAY, March 27th	April 20th	
"EMPRESS OF CHINA".....6,000.....	THURSDAY, April 4th	April 22nd	

"EMPRESS" steamers will depart from Hongkong at 4 P.M.
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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

For	Steamship	On
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW.....	CHOY SANG	TUESDAY, 22nd Jan., Daylight.
SGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.....	LAISANG	THURSDAY, 24th Jan., 3 P.M.
MANILA.....	LOONGSANG	FRIDAY, 25th Jan., 4 P.M.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Cebu, Tientsin, (via Ching Wan Tao) and Yangtze Ports.

* These Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1907. [6]

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS.	TO SAIL.
YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.....	"TAIYUAN"	21st January, Noon.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK-TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.....	"CHINGTU"	22nd "
MANILA.....	"TEAN"	22nd " 4 p.m.
AMOI AND SHANGHAI.....	"YOOHJW"	22nd "
SWATOW, AMOI, NINGPO and SHANGHAI.....	"OHANGOHOW"	25th "
CEBU AND ILOILO.....	"SUNGKIANG"	5th February, "

* The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled table. A duty qualified Surgeon is carried.

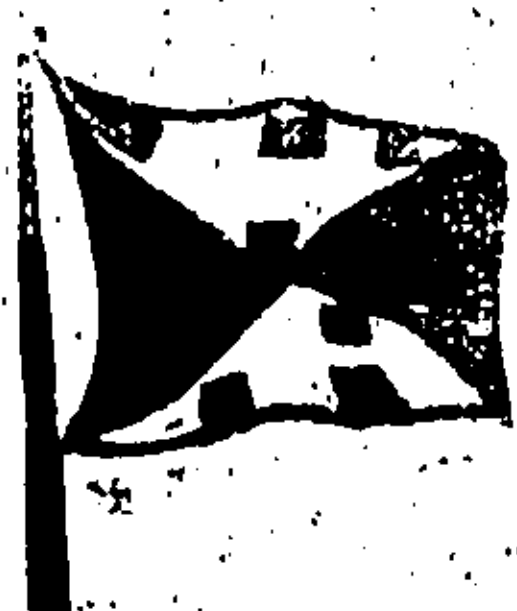
† Taking Cargo and Passengers at through Rates for all New Zealand and other Australian Ports.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1907. [7]



HONGKONG—MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon amidships—Electric Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon and Stewardess carried.—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
RUBI.....	2540	R. Almond.....	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 26th Jan., at Noon.
ZAFIRO.....	2540	R. Rodger.....	"	SATURDAY, 2nd Feb., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1907. [15]



HONGKONG—NEW YORK.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

FOR NEW YORK via PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

(With Liberty to Call at the Malabar Coast).

Steamship	Arrival
"LOWTHER CASTLE"	The end of January.

For Freight and further information, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1907. [15]

Shipping—Steamers.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

PASSENGER SERVICE.

BY the new steamers "RHENANIA," "HABSBURG," and "HOHENSTAUFEN." These steamers offer to the public the highest comfort yet attained in ocean travelling. They are especially built for the tropics with very large well ventilated cabins, amply lighted throughout by electricity, fans provided in each cabin, but the berths are not arranged one above the other as it has been the fashion hitherto, but the staterooms closely resemble ordinary sleeping rooms on shore, the berths standing like beds at either side of the cabins. As a novelty, a number of cabins are provided for single passengers. These steamers call at NAPLES and PLYMOUTH. In addition to the above steamers, the s.s. "SILESIA" and "SCANDIA" carry first class passengers. Return Tickets issued at reduced rates, through tickets issued to NEW YORK via NAPLES, SOUTHAMPTON and HAMBURG.

NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Outward.	Homeward.
FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	FOR THE STRAITS, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, PLYMOUTH, HAVRE AND HAMBURG.
SCANDIA.....5th February.	SILESIA.....8th February.
HABSBURG.....3rd March.	SCANDIA.....3rd March.
RHENANIA.....1st April.	HABSBURG.....5th April.
HOHENSTAUFEN.....30th April.	RHENANIA.....17th May.
SILESIA.....31st May.	HOHENSTAUFEN.....14th June.
SCANDIA.....30th June.	

Hongkong, 17th January, 1907. [13]

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

BOSTON-TOW-BOAT COMPANY.

Connecting at Tacoma with NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR

VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA.

VIA MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing.
Shawmut.....	9,606	E. V. Roberts	5th Feb.
Trimont.....	9,606	T. W. Garlick	26th Feb.
Lyra.....	4,417	H. G. Armstrong	

* Cargo only.

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE, ELECTRIC LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESS. The twin-screw s.s. Shawmut and Trimont are fitted with very superior accommodation for first and second class passengers. The large size of these vessels ensures steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room. Barber's shop and steam laundry. Cargo carried in cold storage. For further information, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents. Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, 12th January, 1907. [12]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL. (With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR NEW YORK.

S.S. "SATSUMA".....	21st January.
S.S. "SIKH".....	9th February.
S.S. "MUNCASTER CASTLE".....	12th March.

For Freight and further information, apply to DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Hongkong, 16th January, 1907. [64]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. (Calling at Timor, Port Darwin and Queensland Ports, and taking through Cargo to Adelaide, New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)

THE Steamship

"EMPIRE,"

Captain Helms, will be despatched for the above Ports, on SATURDAY, the 26th instant, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, etc., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1907. [86]

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

SOUTH AMERICAN LINE.

Regular Steamship Service between HONGKONG, CALLAO and IQUIQUE, VIA JAPAN PORTS (KARATSU, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA).

THE Steamship

"KASATO-MARU," 6,000 tons,

Captain W. O. T. S. Filmer, will be despatched as above, in April, 1907.

Taking Freight and Passengers to other Western Coast Ports of South America.

The above Steamer has splendid Accommodation and is fitted throughout with Electric Light. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

For further information, apply to K. MATSUDA, Manager, York Building, Hongkong, 27th December, 1906. [15]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"TOURANE,"

Captain Lancelotti, will be despatched as above, on or about MONDAY, the 21st instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1907. [10]

FOR CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"JAPAN,"

Captain J. G. Oliffet, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 22nd instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight, apply to DAVID SASSOON & CO., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1907. [98]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"GLAMORGANSHIRE"

will be despatched for the above Ports, on or about the 20th February.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1907. [130]

THE ORIENTAL PACIFIC LINE.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO VIA PORTS.

THE Steamship

"DAKOTAH"

will be despatched for the above Ports, on or about the 25th February, 1907.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 15th January, 1907. [119]

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.

NEITHER the CAPTAIN, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS contracted by the Officers or the Crew of the following vessel during her stay in Hongkong Harbour:

E. B. SUTTON American ship, Captain Butmann.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co. [F]

Consignees.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON, ANTWERP, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"GLAMORGANSHIRE"

Captain —, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 22nd instant, at 2.30 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1907. [123]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENLARIQ,"

FROM LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st instant will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 31st instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1907. [111]

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"NYANZA,"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—

From London, &c.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 24th instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1907. [12]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM MIDDLESBORO, ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GLEN TURRET"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods, except Plate Cuttings, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 25th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the steamer's arrival.

No claims will be recognized if not presented within 14 days of the ship's arrival.

McGREGOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1907. [133]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"GNEISENAU"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded, unless notice to the contrary be given before 2 P.M. TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on THURSDAY, the 24th instant, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 31st instant, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1907. [1]

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"SAMBIA"

Captain Mueller, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge, will be landed into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th January, 1907, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 23rd instant, at 2 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Intimations.

SWEETS, FONDANTS, MARRONS GLACES.
FRENCH, ENGLISH AND SWISS
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Liqueurs of the most renowned French Brands.

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OF THE CHOICEST VINTAGES.

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our stock.

A. CHAZALON & CO.,

69, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1907.

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Hongkong, 7th December, 1906.

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LONDON, INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND AUSTRALIA.
ESTABLISHED 1815.

	One Case.	One Case.
	Q's.	P's.
COGNAC	\$21.50	—
"	19.00	—
"	16.00	—
WHISKY, FINE MALL	19.00	—
" JOHN WALKER	12.00	—
" C. P. & CO.'S SPECIAL BLEND	10.00	—
PORT WINE, INVALIDS	19.00	—
" DOURO	13.00	—
SHERRY, AMOROSO	19.00	—
" LA TORRE	15.25	—
BENEDICTINE, D.O.M.	38.50	40.50

THE ABOVE EXCLUSIVELY SHIPPED TO

SIEMSEN & CO.,

HONGKONG AGENTS.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1906.

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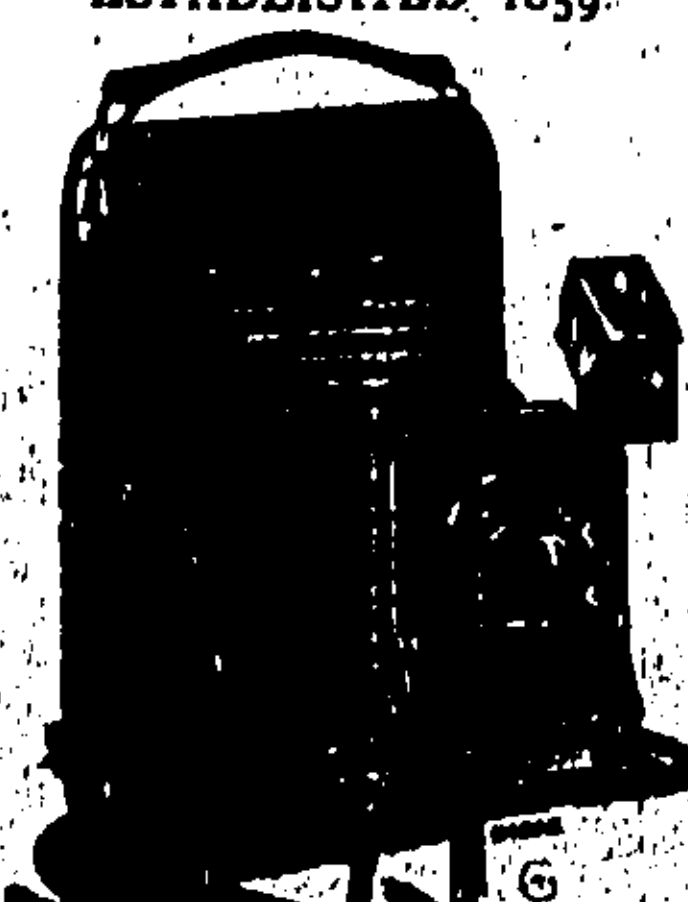
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Telephone 256.

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Hongkong, 16th May, 1907.

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. E. S. KADDOORIE & Co. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT. RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROPRIATE DIVIDEND BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	\$115	\$125	\$1,000,000 \$10,250,000 \$250,000 \$12,750 \$150,000	\$1,712,472	\$1.15/- @ Ex. 2/12 = \$16.47 for first half year 1906	4 1/2 %	\$500 sellers London 2100.70
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	\$7	\$6	\$1,075,000 \$200,000 \$150,000	\$74,099	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$40
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,075,000 \$200,000	\$233,638	\$20 for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$207 1/2
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	\$15	\$5	\$1,100,000 \$100,000 \$10,000	Tls. 185,520	Final of 7/6 making 15/- for year ended 30.6.1906	6 %	Tls. 80 sellers
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$100	\$7,000,000 \$2,000,000 \$331,131 \$1,155,800 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$2,702,271	Interim div. of 130 for 1905	5 1/2 %	\$780
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	8,000	\$800	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,527 \$1,527	\$508,334	\$12 and \$3 special dividend for 1904	9 1/2 %	\$162 buyers
FIRE INSURANCES.								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$20	\$320,488 \$2,616	\$344,098	\$6 for 1904	6 1/2 %	\$95
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,220,928	\$122,618	\$25 for 1904	6 1/2 %	\$375 buyers
SHIPPING.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	10,000	\$25	\$25	\$6,000 \$254,638	\$6,563	\$14 for 1905	7 %	\$22
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	10,000	\$50	\$50	\$93,563 \$250,000 \$600,000 \$144,386 \$120,000	Nil.	\$24 for year ended 30.6.1906	7 %	\$50
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$300,000 \$144,386 \$120,000	\$5,464	\$1 for 1st half-year 1906	6 1/2 %	\$50 sellers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$280,958 \$3,999	\$2,452	10/- @ ex. 2/1 9/16 = \$4.50	5 1/2 %	\$87
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 40,000	Tls. 2,156	Interim div. of Tls. 21/- a/c 1906	9 1/2 %	Tls. 56 buyers
Do. (Preference)	100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 40,000	Tls. 2,156	Interim div. of Tls. 11/- a/c 1906	9 1/2 %	Tls. 50 buyers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	1,000,000	\$1	\$1	\$2,644 \$55,000 \$600,000	\$107,815	1/- (Coupon No. 6) for 1905	4 1/2 %	\$07
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$3,957 Tls. 98,000	\$218	\$1.50 for year ending 30.6.1906	5 1/2 %	\$50
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	10,000	\$50	\$50	Tls. 395,479 Tls. 46,000 Tls. 81,200	Tls. 13,473	Interim div. of Tls. 2 account 1906	8 1/2 %	Tls. 150
REFINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	\$850,000 \$450,000 \$86,129	\$40,914	Final of \$15 making \$25 for 1905	10 1/2 %	\$128
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	none	\$132,588	\$4 for 1905	10 1/2 %	\$21
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 8,935	Tls. 4 (8 %) for year ending 30.6.06	5 1/2 %	Tls. 80 sales
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	\$1	\$1	\$110,000 \$26,011	\$12,546	Final of 1/- No. 7 making 2/1 for year ended 28.2.06	6 %	Tls. 11 buyers
Central Consolidated Mining Company, Limited	100,000	G. \$10	G. \$10	none	G. \$909,050	Interim of 50 cents for account 1906	10 %	G. \$12.50 buyers
South Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	50,000	\$1	\$1	\$4,873	\$8,745	1/- 12 of 1/- 48.00's	10 %	\$9
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$70,000	\$8,915	\$2 for 1905	4 1/2 %	\$21
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	40,000	\$10	\$10	\$550,000 \$6,160 \$20,040	\$20,040	\$2 1/2 for a/c 1906	6 1/2 %	\$406
New Amoy Dock Company, Limited	10,000	\$50	\$50	\$49,500	\$392,087	\$6 for first half-year ending 30.6.06	8 1/2 %	\$148
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	\$88,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$2,221	\$1 for 1905	7 1/2 %	\$14
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company, Limited	32,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	Tls. 3,997	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 8 for 1905/6	7 1/2 %	Tls. 107 buyers
Yangtze Wharf and Godown Company, Limited	2,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 487,310 Tls. 57,065 Tls. 30,000	Tls. 57,065	Interim div. of Tls. 8 on account 1906	5 1/2 %	Tls. 245 a/c 1906
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	none	First year	10 %	Tls. 105 a/c & b
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	10,000	\$25	\$25	\$30,000	\$8,418	\$3 for year ended 30.6.1906	10 %	\$30 sellers
Central Stores, Limited (new issue)	24,000	\$15	\$15	none	\$4,719	\$2.40 on \$12 for 1905	13 1/2 %	\$36 buyers
Do. (Founders)	123	\$15	\$15	none	\$4,719	7 % on \$7 1/2 for 1905	13 1/2 %	\$164 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$648,075 \$19,075	\$10,057	None	8 1/2 %	\$115 buyers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$100	\$100	\$250,000	\$67,830	\$5 for first half-year for 1906	8 1/2 %	\$115 buyers
Hotel des Colonies Company, Limited	9,000	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 25,783	Tls. 1,935	Interim div. of \$3 1/2 account 1906	6 1/2 %	\$111 sales
Hotel Metropole Company, Limited	2,000	\$100	\$100	none	\$4,699	Final of 6 % = 10 % for 1905	10 1/2 %	Tls. 15 sales
Umphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$208,386 \$50,000	\$5,070	Final of \$6 making \$10	12 1/2 %	\$80 sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	none	\$574	80 cents for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$12 sales
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 866,493	Tls. 52,194	\$2 1/2 for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$37
Do. (new issue)	26,000	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 170,000	Tls. 52,194	\$2 1/2 for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$37
West Point Building Company, Limited	17,500	\$50	\$50	none	\$772	Interim div. of \$2 account 1906	8 %	Tls. 102 buyers
COTTON MILLS.								
Two Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 150,000	Tls. 64,986	Tls. 10 for year ended 30.6.1906	14 1/2 %	Tls. 70 buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	Tls. 45,939 \$110,000	\$21,660	\$1 1/2 for the year ending 31.7.06	10 1/2 %	\$114
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 150,000	Tls. 36,211	Tls. 6 for year ended 30.9.06 (8 %)	9 1/2 %	Tls. 62
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 30,750	Tls. 8 for 1905	7 1/2 %	Tls. 103
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 18,456	Tls. 35,986	Tls. 25 for 1905	7 1/2 %	Tls. 240 buyers
MISCELLANEOUS.								
Anglo-German Brewery Company, Limited	4,000	\$100	\$100	none	\$1,066	\$7 for 1905	7 %	\$100 sellers
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	none	\$814	1/3 per share for 1905	8 1/2 %	\$7 sellers
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	\$10	19,000	\$1,097	\$3 for 1905	10 %	\$30
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	none	Nil.	\$1 for 1904	10 1/2 %	\$10
China Flour Mill Co., Limited	4,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 50,000	Tls. 289	Final of Tls. 5 making Tls. 10 for 1905	12 1/2 %	Tls. 56 buyers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$1,219	60 cents for year ended 28.2.06	8 1/2 %	\$110 sales
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$18,000	\$1,581	\$0.30 for 1905	8 1/2 %	\$164 buyers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	\$50,000	\$2,555	\$1.30 for year ending 31.7.1906	8 1/2 %	\$164 sales
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	200,000	\$10	\$10	\$410,000 \$500,000	\$52,291	Int. div. of 75 cents for year ended 30.6.06	9 1/2 %	\$21 buyers
Hall & Holz, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	\$186,000	\$20,893	\$2 1/2 for year ending 28.2.06	10 1/2 %	\$233 sellers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$2,568	\$1.00 for 10 months ending 28.2.06	7 1/2 %	\$16 buyers
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Company, Ltd.	1,250	\$100	\$100	\$10,000	\$2,796	Int. div. of \$3 for 10 months ending 18.10.05	10 1/2 %	\$215
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	125	\$25	\$80,000	\$3,776	Int. div. of \$4 for year ended 30.6.06	8 1/2 %	\$240 sales
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$61,000	\$5,813	\$9 for 1905 on 5 shares	8 1/2 %	\$21 sales
Hongkong Steam Waterboat Company, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	\$25,000	\$88	Final of 50 cents making \$1 for the year	14 1/2 %	\$7
Maatschappij tot Mijn. Bosch en Landbouwerij in Langkat, Limited	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	Tls. 547,500 Tls. 27,603	Tls. 10,374	4th interim div. of Tls. 7 1/2 making Tls. 30 for 1st a/c 1906	9 1/2 %	Tls. 400 buyers
Philippine Company, Limited	67,500	\$10	\$10	none	Dr. P. 34,324	None	6 1/2 %	Tls. 110 buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited (old)	16,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 165,000	Tls. 11,017	Interim dividend of Tls. 3 1/2 account 1906	6 1/2 %	Tls. 104 sales
Do. (new)	8,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 8,000	Tls. 9,751	Tls. 6 for 1904	13 %	Tls. 45 buyers
Shanghai Horse Bazaar Co., Ltd.	5,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 45,000 Tls. 37,000	Tls. 2,753	Interim div. of Tls. 5 account 1906	11 1/2 %	Tls. 170 buyers
Shanghai Pulp and Paper Company, Limited	4,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 8,000 Tls. 24,820 Tls. 25,000	Tls. 1,452	Interim div. of Tls. 4 on account 1906	4 1/2 %	Tls. 109 buyers
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 190,000	Tls. 85,592	Interim div. of 15/- for 1st year 1906	10 1/2 %	Tls. 315
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	8,175	\$20	\$20	none	Dr. \$41,934	Interim div. of 3/- for 1st year 1906	10 1/2 %	Tls. 285
South China Morning Post, Limited	7,200	\$25	\$25	none	\$214	30 cts. (old) & 15 cts. (new) for year ended 31.5.06	5 1/2 %	\$14
Team Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	none	\$1,012	Interim of Tls. 4 for year 1905/6	7 1/2 %	Tls. 100 buyers
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 15,295 Tls. 4,000	Tls. 1,012	70 cents for year ended 31.5.1906	8 1/2 %	\$10
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,000	\$10	\$10	\$25,000	\$752	\$9.90 for year ended 31.5.1906	6 1/2 %	\$110
Do. (Founders)	100	\$10	\$10	\$300,000 \$25,000	\$7,734	Interim of 42 cents for account 1906	8 1/2 %	\$13
Natson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited	99,900	\$10	\$10	\$500,000 \$25,000	\$7,734	Final of 3 cts. making 85 cts. for the year ended 30th June, 1920	10 %	\$8
William Powell, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	\$4,500	\$182			
DIVIDENDS PAYABLE:—								
China Provident Loan & M. Co.						80 cts.		\$24, 100, 20th
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corp.						\$2.15/-		

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BIRTHS.

On January 4, at Hankow, the wife of F. L. HARRISON, of a son.
On January 18, at Shanghai, China, the wife of IVOR THOMAS, of a son.
On January 9, at Shanghai, the wife of D. W. CRAWFORD, of a daughter.
On January 10, at Shanghai, the wife of EDWARD E. PARSONS, of a daughter.
On January 10, at Shanghai, the wife of EDWARD E. PARSONS, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

On January 9, at St. George's, Bloomsbury, JAMES BENNETT, of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, London, to Mrs. M. A. MACCALLUM, of Shanghai.

DEATHS.

On the 2nd January, at Lacenas (France), Madame HARRADUET, beloved mother of Madame L. BARNET, of Shanghai.
On January 9, at Shanghai, BILLY MINA MARIA, widow of the late A. A. da Cruz, of Macao, aged 54.

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 1907.

THE SHARE MARKET IN THE SOUTH.

(18th January.)

While it cannot be denied that Hongkong investors are keenly interested in Shanghai stocks, the same cannot be said to hold good as regards Singapore investments. And as an evidence that the feeling in respect of the Southern Settlement is reciprocal, we need only quote the remark of a Singapore firm of brokers, Messrs. Latham & Co., which occurs in their review of the share market during the past year. They observe:

"Several Hongkong companies which we formerly quoted have been taken out of our list, as we found, with the large increase in local concerns, there was little or no interest taken in them now. We have therefore only retained our premier Bank, the Fire and Marine, Docks, and Shipping Companies which still interest a certain section of the community." It is stated that, with few exceptions, 1906 was a prosperous year for local mines, which is rather an unusual experience for investors and speculators alike in Singapore, and rubber companies have also done well, although prices have ruled lower. An interesting remark is made in connection with industrial stocks. It is stated that in Singapore industrials, except in a few cases, have not flourished, and they cannot be said to be worked on the same sound basis as the Hongkong companies, for they do not meet with the same success, but taking the market all round, investors and speculators have seen a considerable advance in their holdings, and have every reason to be satisfied with their year's work. A lengthy statement is made with regard to the loss the market has sustained during the year by the withdrawal of "her first-born," the Tanjong Pagar Dock Co., Ltd., in which transactions practically ceased after the announcement of the award in July. Messrs. Latham & Co. admit that the award must have gratified the larger shareholders and also the speculators who had never held a share for investment during the forty years of the company's existence, but they assert that it has not done the small shareholder much good, while the public is left with only one industrial company which may be termed a gilt-edged stock. The company referred to is undoubtedly the Straits Trading Co., whose operations have surpassed all expectations and whose prospects are almost unrivalled. Significant advice regarding investment in other industrial companies is offered by the brokers and it might be taken to heart and well digested by shareholders in Hongkong, for it applies equally to similar concerns in this Colony. The reviewer says: "There is a certain amount of risk attached to other undertakings, and investors in this market ought to have learnt by this time that the directors, who are supposed to safeguard their interests, have not always the time or inclination to do so; there have been many instances of this here within the last twenty years; it will be sufficient, however, to mention our three insurance companies, and more recently Hogan & Co., Ltd." Severe criticism is directed against the policy pursued by the former directors of Tanjong Pagar Dock Co., Ltd., in keeping all their eggs in one basket instead of investing the reserve fund in first-class securities. Had they not adopted the plan of using the money exclusively in the development of the business, the property, say Messrs. Latham & Co., would in all probability have belonged to the shareholders to-day. In support of this argument the reviewer observes that the result of this policy was that all improvements and upkeep of the wharf were paid for out of revenue and loans, raised at various periods, and although more than one report was made by civil engineers, who were called on to examine the property, and told the directors what really ought to be done in the interests of the shareholders, these were all shelved, because the London Consulting Committee, who controlled the concern, were appalled at the huge expense these long-delayed improvements would entail, which they had no reserve fund to meet, and they determined not to endanger their handsome dividends by spending their profits on doing what ought to have been done years before. Meantime, the high charges and want of accommodation had driven away the rice trade, which circulated some thirty millions per annum, the coal charges were raised, and steamers began to avoid the port—indeed, charges were put up all round in order to pay for absolutely necessary improvements and to find money for the usual dividend. At last the day came when the large and costly improvements which had long been delayed could be put off no longer. Then came the question, how to get the money. Those who had the controlling power, tried, failed, and the Government stepped in, and took the property. Reference is made to the absurd manner in which the "expropriators proceeded to get rid of the shareholders." Instead of offering them the market value of the shares, the Government tendered a proposal of \$240 per share, which was afterwards increased to \$280, both of which offers were very naturally refused, and then arbitration was resorted to as a last resource. The cost of this further blunder was about £100,000, and the Colony had to pay some \$750 a share. With the exercise of a little diplomacy the shares might have been acquired for \$600, which was the state of the market the day before

the award was announced. "From first to last it has been a blundering business, the net result of which is that the shareholders of Tanjong Pagar have been enriched, through the folly of the Government, at the expense of the Colony, and owing to the price awarded them, there is no chance of the coal or any other charges being reduced at present, so the expropriation scheme which was to help the trade of the Colony does not seem at all likely to do so for some years to come." With regard to the future of the Singapore share market, the prospects are said to be bright, which is, at all events, something to be thankful for in these hard times. On the whole, Hongkong investors have not much cause to be envious of Singapore or to regret their home and Shanghai investments.

ON BEHALF OF THE ORPHANS.

All who are possessed in the slightest degree of the bowels of compassion will respond to the appeal which has been made by the staff of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company for subscriptions towards a trust fund which it is proposed to administer for the benefit of the children of the late Mr. J. R. Craik, who was foully murdered by a person or persons as yet unknown. The gruesome tragedy and the mystery attaching to the wanton crime had so unsettled the mind of the public and brought into such lurid relief the danger to which we are all subject in the Colony, should spite or passion inspire a spirit of murderous revenge, that but little attention has been given to the plight of the little ones who mourn the loss of their natural protector and provider. But the dock employees, whose thoughtfulness and generosity are proverbial, have not allowed the larger tragedy to obscure their consideration of the comparatively smaller issue, and before the mystery has been allowed to evaporate from the public mind they have rightly come forward to submit the claims of the widow and orphans to the benevolent indulgence of the community. The idea of creating a trust fund which will be so expended as to afford the children of the late Mr. Craik a fair start in life, by equipping them with a sound and practical education, cannot be too highly commended. Already they are handicapped, but that is no reason why they should be doubly burdened when the time comes that they have to fight the battle of life. A man may be a fool despite all the educational advantages he has enjoyed, but he has the start in life which, after all, is the main thing. We do not know what sum the committee in charge of the matter have in mind to obtain, nor how they propose to regulate the disbursements from the interest derived from the investment of the fund, but these are questions which can only properly be settled when the extent of the public sympathy has been gauged. As the committee state in their appeal, Mr. Craik was well known beyond the confines of the docks, and even if he had not been, if his entire interests had been centred at the scene of his daily labours, still the generous heart of the Colony would have been touched by his melancholy fate, and must have responded to the cry of the helpless. We are thoroughly convinced that the sympathy of the public will be evidenced by a swelling list of subscriptions, and that once again the reputation of the Colony for large-heartedness and sympathy will be proved and attested.

THE NEXT AMERICAN INVASION.

Notwithstanding the coolness which has arisen between Japan and a certain section of the citizens of the United States as the result of the ejection of Japanese children from the schools of California, the good feeling which formerly existed between the island kingdom and the States as a whole has not entirely been destroyed. Recently, the captain of the baseball team of Stanford University sent a challenge to the students of Waseda University, Japan, to play a series of games in Dai Nippon. We now learn from a telegram which appears in one of the San Francisco papers that the challenge has been favourably received by the authorities of Waseda University, and the trip of the local players to the Orient this year is practically assured. The American captain stated that the proposition which he offered the Japanese manager was that the cardinal team consisting of twelve, should make the trip to Japan soon after the close of the spring semester. All expenses will be met by the Japanese. The Stanford team will play as many games as the Japanese desire and will be completely at their disposal. The proposal has met with universal favour at Stanford. The effect of such a trip is not to be calculated by the mere results of the sporting matches. It is bound to open the eyes of the Far East, to enlighten them as to the commercial and educational progress which Japan has made since she threw down the barriers of conservatism, and to enable them to form some conception of the value of Japan's alliance with America. However busy the visit and however imperfect the westerners may appreciate the potential power of Japan as a factor in the work of the world, they cannot fail to gain some glimpse at first hand of the real mind of the people. And at some later date, when international questions are at issue, they will be able to read the portents which will be untrammelled by bias and party views. It is in every way satisfactory that the ruffled feelings of the Japanese should be soothed by this exhibition of collegiate communion. But the Americans, having come so far as Japan, why should they end their journey there? Why not include Hongkong and

Manila in their itinerary? If they are going to make a trip at all they might as well do it thoroughly, for they may never have the opportunity of seeing the Far East again, or of visiting the islands with which America has saddled herself. In Hongkong the undergraduates would receive a very cordial welcome and possibly a baseball game which would make them "sit up." And if they came quietly and without all the pomp, parade and pretension which characterised a recent excursion—which shall be nameless—they may be sure of a genuine and hearty reception both here and in the Philippines.

WATER.

(18th January.)

By the Singapore papers are interested in the question whether the Stanley Street well shall be kept open or not. It appears that some little time ago a case came up in the Singapore Police Court in which the question of the possibility of the water of a wellarose. The health authorities contended that it was bacilli infected and unfit for use. The Government analyst said there were no harmful bacteria in the water and that if any got in they would die. Of course that is very interesting as an academic opinion, but the question which will come to the mind of the average laymen is this: Supposing the bacteria refuse to die, who suffers? The Singapore Free Press, from which we quote, remarks that "if chemical examination is against the water being polluted, and bacteriological examination cannot show the presence of specific harmful bacilli, then there is no case for the closing of the well." But that is rather a comfortable idea which, in the case under review, does not affect the matter. In the case of the Stanley Street well, the bacteriologist distinctly stated that the water was impure. The analyst held that it was potable, was used for drinking purposes and was not therefore open to discussion as affecting the public health. But anyone who has been in China for any length of time knows perfectly well that if a coolie dares to quench his thirst he will do so at the first well, regardless of his own health or the health of the community. Our contemporary remarks that very few towns in the East have such a supply of water as to meet all demands, in the easiest possible way. And none has inhabitants who will readily give up the habits of generations, and cast aside the sources of supply that have served them and theirs for many years. Besides there are to be found scientists—rigid exponents of the modern bacteriological school who prefix "germ" to their title—who contend that "germ" is "cat's paw" and "little ones," and that absolutely sterile water does not exist in nature. Anyhow, there is no much doubt about the harmfulness of most bacteria to the human, that it seems hardly worth while straining at the presence of a few in water used for washing, while all around us in the dust, on the roads, in sewage, in the drains, on our food, in the air there are countless millions which might also, under conceivable circumstances, prove hurtful. Possibly the expert biologist suffers from a lack of the sense of proportion, and is prepared to strain at the water bacteria while he swallows wholesale the aerial and food varieties.

OUR ROYAL VISITORS.

(18th January.)

On the 9th February, 1906, H. R. H. Prince Arthur of Connaught arrived in Hongkong, en route to Japan, whither he was proceeding as head of a deputation, appointed by His Majesty King Edward VII., to deliver personally to His Imperial Majesty the Emperor of Japan, Great Britain's new ally, the insignia of the highest honour the latter country could confer upon him—the Order of the Garter. H. R. H. was entertained, and fled here, and all communities combined to show the honour due to the emissary of His Majesty the King of Great Britain and Ireland, Emperor of India, who was passing through our Colony on such an important mission. Nothing, we believe, was left undone to ensure the King's ambassador a right royal time, and we have reason to believe he got it. Lacking but three days to make it one year since the son arrived, his parents and sister, in the persons of His Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess, and Princess Patricia of Connaught, will arrive in our midst. But what a difference between these two Royal visits! The son's was all *fille*, festivity, not to say frivolity, and fun. But the father's is purely a business matter and, while this loyal Colony wished to show its loyalty to His Majesty the King, through the medium of His Majesty's royal brother, the latter decided that, as his visit here was purely a business one, in His Royal Highness's capacity as Inspector General of the Forces, a plain reception and nothing further, should mark the visit of His Royal Highness and party. And thus the Colony is robbed of the pomp and pageantry it promised itself to witness from the 6th to 9th February. But that is only one side of the picture. The Colony has scarcely yet recovered from the terrible devastation wrought by the almost unparalleled occurrences of Typhoon Day, and the subsequent disasters, both public and private, of varying characters, on account of which the community has been called upon to open, and open wide, its purse-strings, until straining point is not far off. We, therefore, can scarcely doubt that His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, with all that innate depth of conception and understanding, coupled with an entire

appreciation of local conditions, which have characterised the actions of the House of Guelf, has taken the conditions into consideration, and refused to tax a Colony already overburdened with its own care and responsibilities, for the sake of mere social entertainment. But however that may be, Their Royal Highnesses will not, we feel assured, be allowed to pass through our Colony without receiving every permissible sign of loyalty and devotion from the British subjects resident here in Hongkong, both for their own sake, as well as for the fact that His Royal Highness is the only surviving brother of our King, Edward VII., and what is lacking in elaboration will not be wanting in spontaneity.

SUGAR PROSPECTS.

In an article last week the threatened invasion of the Southern markets for refined sugar by the refineries of Japan occupied some space in these columns in an endeavour to emphasize the danger which, by the determination of our Japanese commercial competitors, imperils the material prosperity of the leading industry of Hongkong. In our comments not only was Japan's pushfulness advertised upon, but allusion was made to the further handicap which penalizes the Hongkong refineries by reason of the fact of their exchange. With a higher sterling exchange ruling, which is another factor in favour of Japan, refiners of beet-sugar in the Continent of Europe are again enabled to flood the Far Eastern markets with their cheap products and successfully compete against cane-sugar which is the staple product handled by the local factories. The sugar production of the world has always had an exercising influence in determining the fortunes of Hongkong's premier industry. The expansion of the acreage, or the diminution thereof, given to beet production influences in a detrimental or beneficial manner, as the case might be, the prices of sugar milled from the cane. This being so, the most recent reliable official statistics available will furnish pleasing reading to those whose interests might be adversely affected by a too great oversupply of beet to under-sell cane-sugar wherever the Eastern world is more directly concerned as regards one of the important daily commodities. The following approximate estimate of last year's beet-sugar crop, with a comparison of the preceding year, just published by a Belgian statistician, is supplied by Consul-General H. W. Diederich of Antwerp:

Countries	1905	1906	1907	1908
France	3,200,000	3,200,000	3,200,000	3,200,000
Belgium	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000
Holland	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000
Germany	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Austria-Hungary	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Sweden	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Denmark	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Spain	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Italy	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Greece	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Switzerland	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Other countries	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
All Europe	15,000,000	15,000,000	15,000,000	15,000,000

This estimate is based on the condition of beet-sugar fields all over Europe, as ascertained during the first week of October, and it was expected the weather of November would determine whether the figures of the net results will have to be varied one way or the other. According to the above statistics there was a decrease in the acreage sown to sugar-beet seed in all Europe amounting to 5.08 per cent, and 6.93 per cent less sugar was produced when compared with the crop of 1905.

A BOOM IN HONGKONG BANKS.

(16th January.)

Following the official announcement which we were authorized to make last evening of a proposed increase in the capital of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, there has been a mild—and to the fortunate few holders of the gilt-edged stock a pleasing—sensation in Hongkong Banks this forenoon. For a considerable time past the stock of this prosperous financial institution has been regarded with a large amount of favour by investors in London, with the result that a gradual process of absorption of local scrips has been steadily progressing. The demand was so greatly in excess of the supply that at one time last year Bank shares were quoted in brokers' lists at over 1900 a share for a paid-up scrip of \$125 only. But with the rise in exchange the silver quotation saw a consequential drop, although the sterling rate has advanced to 297 10 towards the end of last week. Calculated on the basis of the dividend and bonus declared the stock has for some time stood on a five to six per cent footing, which goes to show the high favour it stands at when the local Bank rate of interest is not less than six per cent. The present week opened with Hongkong Banks quoted at \$840 advancing to \$845 at the close of the market yesterday. The pleasing announcement which was in store for shareholders had not then been made. When later in the evening it became known through the medium of the Press that the Bank propose a new issue on rather advantageous terms, there was much pleasurable anticipation which was justifiable by results this morning. Evidently the issuing price of the new stock which had been telegraphed to London, immediately upon the conclusion of the Directors' meeting yesterday, found favour in this metropolitan exchange. Cable advices, accordingly, announced a small boom in the stock, which advanced 65 on the overnight quotation. Hongkong followed suit, and Bank at once reported 30 points over yesterday's rate. The London and local rates stand, respec-

tively, at £102.10 and \$830, closing with buyers. Looked at from the point of view of disinterested parties, the rise of 10,000 new shares at the issuing price of 250 per share cannot but afford considerable satisfaction to those watching the progress of commercial expansion in the East. The contemplated step on the part of the Corporation whereby £1,000,000 of scrip will be contributed to the Bank's enormous resources must be indicative that the traditional requirements of the Orient necessitate the availability of more liquid funds and looked at from that view point it cannot be denied that the expansion of trade so hopefully looked forward to upon the termination of hostilities between Russia and Japan is not likely to be longer delayed.

BREADSTUFFS FOR CHINA.

Now that a flour mill has been inaugurated in Hongkong and is in actual operation wheat flour shipments from the States to the Orient have more than ordinary interest to shippers and merchants in this part of the world. According to the latest advices flour shipments to the East were expected to show a sharp increase in 1906 over shipments made in 1905. Japan's increased purchases have already been noticed. In the case of China, as in the case of Japan, the tendency has been steadily toward an increase in the amount and value of breadstuffs bought in America. During the month of September, 1905, China's purchases of wheat flour from the United States amounted to only 4,770 barrels, valued at \$4,063 (gold), whereas in September, 1906, China bought 42,824 barrels, valued at \$158,912. During the nine months ending in September, 1904, the shipments amounted to only 42,058 barrels, valued at \$152,225. For the same period in 1905 shipments aggregated 58,078 barrels, valued at \$223,229, and in 1906, during the same period, China bought 109,437 barrels, valued at \$362,812. Thus, China's purchases of wheat flour during the nine months of last year, ending in September, nearly doubled the purchases during the same period in the two immediately preceding years combined. Shipments here considered are exclusive of shipments to Hongkong. The Chinese boycott, and disorganized conditions generally, depressed Hongkong's purchases in 1905, but during the past year the recovery has been rapid. Figures furnished by the Seattle *Post* show that in 1904, during nine months ending in September, Hongkong bought from the United States 872,118 barrels of flour, valued at \$3,348,968. Purchases in 1905 for the same period, amounted to 409,004 barrels, valued at \$1,776,674. During the nine months of the current year Hongkong's purchases amounted to 635,399 barrels, valued at \$2,383,806. Shipments during the month of September, 1906, amounted to 93,680 barrels, valued at \$359,384, as against 56,935 barrels, valued at \$206,244 in September, 1905. "These are mere straws," comments our contemporary; "but they show the drift of the wind, and emphasize forcibly the importance of cultivating closer trade relations with Oriental countries."

HONGKONG BANK SHARES.

(17th January.)

As we were going to press on Tuesday, we were very courteously favoured by the officials of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation with one of the most important announcements, from a commercial point of view, that has been made public for a very considerable time. We refer to the statement that the Bank had decided to make an issue, plus the premium on the shares, equivalent to the original capital of the company. Naturally, with those interested in the commercial affairs of the Colony, we realized the importance of the financial project designed by what is undoubtedly the principal institution not merely in the Colony but in the Far East, for it must be recognised—as we have tangible reasons to understand—that it is recognised as a power in the land, and a factor in the life of the Far East. Yesterday, we briefly commented on the results of the exceedingly pleasing anticipations which have fallen to the lot of the holders of the gilt-edged scrip of the Corporation. Without using the superlative, the "sensation" which occurred on the London Stock Exchange, was in a smaller way reflected on our own Rialto and was sufficient to arouse comment in business circles generally in Hongkong. But, pleasing as that "sensation" was, the spirit which was started yesterday morning in Hongkong Banks—as they are termed by the brokers—and supported after the timely adjournment witnesses to-day a still more remarkable boom in a further rise in the London market in Hongkong Banks by £13.10. In a single day, Hongkong has answered to the spirit with a comparatively trivial rise of 45 per share. The elasticity of this altered quotation must be apparent when the sterling rate of £116 for Hongkong Banks is compared with the local closing quotation of 1925, even allowing for the disparity in the rates of interest ruling between the great business centre of the metropolis and the exchange market in Hongkong. Parenthetically, it should be noted that the effect of this new capital issue means that there has been an apparent but an actual increase of \$8,000,000 to the potential wealth of the scrip holders within a single week. (The thousand-dollar limit for Hongkong Banks which had been talked about for some time may be said to have been virtually attained when we reduce the sterling equivalent of the current exchange rate of the day for London

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something that is in honor will always be

districts under his clerical charge. Exclusive of the 600,000 refugees in camps today, Kiang Pi takes no account of Anhui. Hsiao (in the place Miss Reid's letter broadly published), tells us that provision should be made for 350,000 or more, half of whom are leading distress, "their only food, if food it can be called, being the bark of trees, dried pomelo peels and any weeds that can be picked out of the frozen ground" while S. E. of this district, training ground.

must exist for Mr. Caldwell states that vast tracts of country East of the Grand Cañon are even now still under water. He has been called for 5 consecutive days without a possibility of landing, over fields which throughout last autumn have borne rich crops. The ground is already frozen hard so that this water will soon be covered with thick ice, preventing evaporation and the country must remain as it now is under water until late in the spring.

Messrs. Melchers and Co., the Agents for the Norddeutscher Lloyd, have consented to take shipments of opium and opium resin, passing from Shanghai to Chinkiang to connect with families, relief under the same conditions as agreed to by the other shipping companies. — *Shanghai Times*.

THE SITUATION IN CHINKIANG.

Telegraphing from Chinkiang on the 28th inst., the *N. C. D. News* correspondent says:

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Telegraphing from Chinkiang on the 8th inst., the *N. G. D. News* correspondent says:—
From a comprehensive survey of the situation in the camp, and after consultation with leading military officials, civilians and missionaries, I estimate that there are 12,000 refugees in the vicinity of this town. Of these 5,000 whose evidence of good character, while the rest are in a normal condition physically, but are extremely filthy and covered with vermin. There are 5,000 able-bodied men, at a minimum comparison among them. The huts are filthy and do not smell mill; the camps are unorganised and in the most insanitary condition. We and thousands of rice are being cooked daily and being distributed in the morning by the Foreign officials. Many loafers and labourers seize the opportunity of a free meal.

There is no work doing and no attempt has been made to organize mass labour. Work has

idle; while the thoroughfares and special-
 roads over which material and food are being
 transported are in a disgraceful condition.
 The Grand Canal, south of the river, is com-
 pletely choked up in places and impassable for
 any shipping. Building work, alone, would give em-
 ployment to the thousands of idle, male adults.
 The reason given by the officials for not in-
 stituting relief works is that they have no funds.
 This, however, is puerile as the official expendi-
 ture would be almost nil.
 Meanwhile the population is becoming
 unperished. Local charitable efforts are
 necessarily limited and lack cohesion and
 direction. There is undoubtedly every pro-
 spect of a grave disaster.
 An epidemic in this neighborhood, and it
 would seem that the only way to oblige
 things in making sanitary camps, and in employ-
 ing all able-bodied men and women on some
 work of a permanent character.

in his telegram from Chinkiang as having estimated the number of

**STRAITS GOVERNMENT AND
DOCK SHAREHOLDERS.
A DEADLOCK.**

company and the Government, which has

our Government, which, has
ached a head, says the *Singapore Free Press*,
or some time, the Government had been
negotiating with the Company in London with
view to seeing whether an arrangement could
be arrived at by which the shareholders
could take their award, or part of it, in the form
of Government-inscribed stock. It would appear,
ough we have not the official side of the story,
that the Company was willing to do so
on the condition that before accepting this
arrangement the Government should reveal
what terms and under what arrange-
ments its inscribed stock was to be issued.

ough to warrant their advising shareholders
take no stock in payment of

They are still ready to accept the stock market providing Government can see their way to make the terms of the new proposals fair, and if Government elect to put forward any more favourable proposal it is likely that matters will be satisfactorily arranged, but at present there is a deadlock.

A GRUESOME DISCOVERY.

A SKELETON IN A PILLOW.

The Singapore Free Press of 8th Inst. says yesterday, at the Teluk Ayer Reclamation, "chintias" were examined.

Some Chinese coolies for opium found they do rather a gruesome trade. One of the coolies had a pillow wrapped up in a mat, and in examining it for concealed tins of opium and substance, the pillow was promptly opened and instead of the expected characteristic tin, the horrified Revenue collector found a grinning skull. After further examination of the pillow, however, it had recovered from the first shock, and the other parts of a complete human body were recovered. The owner of the pillow was taken to the Peking Army Police Station and here stated the bones were the remains of his oldest

The value of land in Sanderson is on the increase. Recently, before the Sanderson and Rialto City project was rejected, the price of land was \$250 per acre. The city is now valued at over \$350 per acre and more and more blocks of land are being sold.

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...from the Government office. The land
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her assistance—or words to that effect. Which shows that the Aberdeen residents are distinctly endowed with 'cuteness.

Captain Badgley ended the proceedings by offering His Excellency the thanks of the trustees of the Bellillo Trust for making the presentation, and said he was sure the recipients would appreciate His Excellency's presence at that function almost as much as the presentation.

PUBLIC COMPANIES

1.—The Tung Yik Marine Fire & Life Insurance Co. Ltd.

1.—The Chinese General Construction Co.,
 Ld.
 2.—The Tao Sung Steam Launch Navigation Co., Ld.
 3.—The East Sunrise Fire and Marine Insurance, Exchange, Mortgage and Godown Co., Ld.
 4.—The Hankow Daily Times Co., Ld.

1.—The Anglo-Japanese Locomotive and

2. The Union Brewery Co., Ltd.
3. The China Carrying Co., Ltd.
4. The Eastern Flour and Provision Co., Ltd.
5. The Wang Yip Timber Co., Ltd.
6. The Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.

FIKE AT EAST POINT.

DAMAGE APPROXIMATES \$1,000.

A fire, which broke out on the second floor of No. 38, Ship Street at half-past four o'clock yesterday afternoon, caused some commotion in that locality, as from the direction the wind was blowing fears were entertained that the entire

broken out the inmates lost all their personal

done is put down at \$1,000. The origin of the fire, as already stated, is unknown, but the police are making inquiries.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

EXAMINATION OF THE YUEK-HAN RAILWAY ACCOUNTS.

Canton, 11th January.

On the 9th instant, Messrs. Lo Po San and Chow Lun Sing, members of the Board of Directors of the Yuet-hai Railway Company, presented to the officials of the Government Railway Bureau, the different account books for examination, as requested by the despatch from the Bureau. Upon the arrival of the representatives of the shareholders, who were intended to make the examination, Taotai Sun Tung, president of the Bureau, came out and went through the books with them carefully and minutely. The examination began at eleven o'clock and it lasted until 4 o'clock in the afternoon. At the time of closing for the day, all the different items of accounts were checked and found correct. The examination will be continued to-day from noon. At the closing of yesterday's examination Sun said that he was glad that everything went off smoothly as it did that day and that he could not understand why such confusion reigned on the previous occasion at the company's office. Sun further stated that he had no desire to give trouble to anyone, unless he was compelled to do so. He was only doing what would give satisfaction to everybody concerned in the railway.

Yesterday at 11 o'clock in the forenoon Taotai Sun, in company with the elected representatives of the shareholders, continued the examination of the accounts of the Yuet-hai Railway Company and finished his task at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The cash book as the deposit books will be examined at the company's office by these gentlemen on the appointed day.

THE VICEROY'S TOUR.

H.E. the Viceroy, who has been absent from Canton for several days on a tour of inspection at the different ports and the railways, yesterday paid a visit to the famous T'ing Wu Mountains in Shikung, Kwang, and is not expected to return to his yamen for some days.

PROPOSED WELCOME TO THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

Hearing of the visit of H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught to Asiatic waters, the Central Government at Peking has telegraphed instructions to H.E. the Viceroy Chow to accord the Royal visitor a warm reception to the Chinese Empire.

DISASTROUS FIRES IN CANTON.

Yesterday morning about 10 o'clock, a fire broke out at a builder's and contractor's establishment, in Lin Tang Lane, through the careless use of fire on the second floor of this shop. The fire destroyed fifteen or sixteen shops as dwelling houses in the locality and continued to spread into Talihpaoh West and completely gutted some twelve or fourteen buildings. The fire burned for two hours, before the flames were got under control, by the numerous fire carts and fire fighters, who assembled there. The human casualties: two females were burned to death.

There was also a fire that evening at 7.30 p.m. It originated in a matchbox at Kam Chai Bong, through careless use of fire, and destroyed ten dwelling houses.

THE OPIUM HABIT.

In accordance with the instructions received from the Viceroy in connection with the prohibition of opium-smoking, the Provincial

tion stating that all those of the governme

to opium-smoking are required to report themselves to him in five days from the date of issue of this proclamation. From the date of their reporting they all must give up opium.

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THE appointment of Field Marshal M. R. H. the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn as Inspector General of the Forces, and President of the Selection Board, and his salary is £10,000 a year. Major M. Murray and Lieut. the Hon. C. M. B. P. Osborn.

A SPECIAL general meeting of the Horticultural Society was held at the City Hall yesterday afternoon. Mr. J. Barton was unanimously elected president in place of Sir Francis Pigott. Some small alterations were made in the rules to facilitate the management of the society. The annual flower show is to be held on 20th and 21st February.

ACCORDING to news from Tokyo, the naval authorities appear to have decided to send the new cruiser *Yubaba*, built at Kure, and the *Chitose* to the United States, under the command of the Second Squadron. The squadron will leave Japan about March next, and will first call at Jamestown, Virginia, and on the voyage home a call will be made at English ports.

THIRTEEN officers who are announced as on the staff of H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught for his approaching tour of inspection to the Far East are Brigadier-General Sir John Grenfell Maxwell, K.C.B., C.M.G., C.V.O., D.S.O., and Lieut. the Hon. Cyril Miles Braxator Posenby, M.V.O., formerly A.D.C. to the Duke of Edinburgh. He is the second son of the present Earl of Desborough.

MR. F. A. HAZELAND presiding as Coroner and a jury conducted an inquiry at the Magistrate's court, on Thursday, into the circumstances touching the death of a Chinaman named Kwan Po, a prisoner in the Victoria Gaol, who died this morning. Deceased was thirty years of age, and was sentenced on the 15th instant to one month's hard labour for being a rogue and vagabond. Medical evidence was heard and the jury returned a verdict of death from natural causes.

SHORTLY after seven o'clock on Wednesday, a Chinese woman was knocked down by tramcar No. 1 near the Central Market. She was severely bruised about the head and shoulders, and although her condition is not serious, it was found necessary to remove her to hospital. The woman, it appears, attempted to cross the track while the car was several paces away from her. The motorman, advised by his emergency brake, the woman failed to clear in time and was knocked over.

A BROOM-MAKER named Chan Tak Chun, no address, was charged before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, on Thursday, with uttering four counterfeit (twenty-cent) pieces yesterday. Evidence was heard to the effect that accused went to a shop at No. 121, Queen's Road Central and made a purchase which amounted to eighty cents and paid with the counterfeit coins. He could not tell the Court how he came by the spurious money, and his Worship passed sentence of one month's hard labour.

A GAMBLING raid made by Sergeant Lee and a number of lunkongs from No. 2 Police Station last evening resulted in the capture of eighteen men, who were playing *pat-kau* at No. 2, McGregor Street. This house, it may be mentioned, has twice been raided this year. The men were arraigned before Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, on Thursday, two of whom were charged with keeping a common gaming house, and the remainder with gambling. The leaders were fined \$5 each and the remainder \$2 apiece.

CHAN Tak, who professes to be an "unlicensed hawk", residing at No. 13, Lower Lascar Row, came before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, on Thursday, on a charge of being a rogue and vagabond. Accused was found by a *lunkong* loitering about the stairway of house No. 46, Lower Lascar Row, at 4.45 o'clock this morning. When he was asked what he was doing abroad at that time of the morning defendant stated that he went to look for a friend, but made a mistake in the number of the house. He got fifteen days' hard labour and four strokes.

REFERENCE has already been made by us editorially to the nuisance residents at East Point have to suffer daily by the constant dumping of rubbish by coolies on the foreshore between No. 2 Police Station and the Praya East Hotel. After several warnings, the police at Wanchai have decided to take the matter into their own hands, and yesterday they sent a coolie who was in the act of dumping a bucketful of ashes on the foreshore opposite the Praya East Hotel. He was arraigned on Wednesday before Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne, who fined him \$5. This will probably set an example to others.

JAPANESE papers state that the repairs to the *Mikasa* continue to make great progress. As the battleship was constructed in 1900, she is in some respects rather out of date, and it is therefore intended to introduce a number of changes into the various departments of the vessel, embodying the improvements suggested by the experience gained in the late war. The armament will also be strengthened and a new turret constructed. It is expected, however, that the entire work will be completed by the end of this year. The *Mikasa* will then be on a par with the British-built battleships *Kashima* and *Katori* in armament and power.

POLICE Constable Roby, of the Water Police Station, charged six owners of "B" class sampans with "poaching" on the preserves of the "A" class sampans, before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, on Wednesday, at the Police Court. They admitted the charge. It was stated that "B" class sampans pay a higher fee for their licences. They are used specially for carrying European passengers and their preserve is between Ship Street and the Harbour Office. They are also required to keep their sampans in a clean condition. "B" class sampans, on the other hand, pay a smaller fee and are allowed to ply for hire anywhere else than within the preserve of "A" class. The defendants did not abide by this rule, for they were found "poaching." A fine of \$5 each was imposed.

THE s.s. *Glamorgan*, Captain Norris, arrived at Singapore from London on the 15th, and anchored off Paik Panjong. While the vessel was making for Port Swettenham on Friday she struck an uncharted reef just outside that port. The vessel was not damaged. The big British cruiser *Monmouth* was lying at Port Swettenham, and Captain Norris and the Navigating Lieutenant of the *Monmouth* went out and surveyed the reef. With reference to the rock or sunken wreck struck by the *Glamorgan* in the narrow channel north of Pulau Anaga, reported in our issue of Wednesday, a further notice from the Major Attendant, Singapore, reads: A shallow patch has been discovered in the above position about one cable long, north and half a cable wide, east and west. Vessels are advised to use the South Channel when entering Port Swettenham.

MRS. HAMPSTEAD, a dressmaker, residing at No. 12, Hollywood Road, gave two coolies in charge yesterday afternoon. She appeared later at the Central Police Station and complained that the two men not being in her employ made use of the servant's quarters of her house without permission. The accused were arraigned before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, on Monday, and pleaded guilty to the accusation. They were fined \$5 each.

ATTORNEY L. D. Hargis, of Manila, was a passenger on the steamer *Tamara* for Hongkong on the 8th inst. Attorney Hargis comes to Hongkong in hopes of securing evidence in the case of the United States *versus* Sir Su Tan, accused of attempting to export Philippine currency. Mr. Hargis will visit the alleged owner of the *Pao-fow* now in the hands of the officers of the law and if possible induce him to proceed to Manila as a witness, or to make affidavits concerning the money and his representative, the defendant in the suit.

ON Sunday morning, at about eight o'clock, an amah, employed by a family at No. 41, Hollywood Road, went to the Central Market to purchase the day's provisions. Immediately she returned home she became ill and later vomited blood. She died a few minutes later. Inspector Ritchie, who was on duty at the Central Police Station, was notified of the occurrence and he ordered the woman's remains to be taken to the morgue. Up to Monday the police have not received any report from the medical officer showing the cause of death, but it is believed that the amah's death was caused by a broken blood vessel.

A CHINAMAN, whose name the police got as Tsang Yuk Lun, and who recently returned from the United States, was arraigned last evening at the Police Court on a charge of being a loaded revolver. He was arraigned on Monday, at the Police Court, in answer to the charge. He pleaded guilty. Inspector Ritchie, who had charge of the case, said that he believed accused to be a good man; he was told the revolver into the interior to protect himself. Under the circumstances his Worship inflicted no fine, but ordered the revolver to be confiscated.

THE first case under the enforcement of the Chinese immigration laws came up upon the arrival of the *Zafra*, reports the *Morning Times*. A Chinese merchant, a resident of Hong Kong, who has been in China for the past four months, returns with trachoma. He was examined by Dr. Manning and later by Mr. Hesser, both officers pronouncing the case one of trachoma, without a doubt. The Chinaman, brought his two young sons with him and they may be allowed to enter. It is not known whether his broker will file a protest, but under the new law there is no possible way by which the case may be dismissed. The *Zafra* is detained at the immigration detention station, awaiting deportation.

A COOLIE named Chan Cheung was brought before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, on Monday, and ordered to be held in police custody for a few days, when he will be brought up for examination. He was charged with stealing \$140 from the Shing Kee money-changer's shop, 38, Des Voeux Road Central, yesterday afternoon. At about four o'clock yesterday afternoon the accountant of the money-changer's shop was engaged in counting a roll of Kwangtung banknotes. The defendant, it was alleged, suddenly rushed up to the counter, seized the roll, and fled. He was arrested, but the notes were not found on him, as, so we are informed, he threw away the money before being caught.

MR. F. X. dos Remedios, a clerk, employed in an office at No. 8A, Queen's Road Central, was the complainant in a larceny case heard at the Police Court, on Monday. He charged a tall man named Leung Hong, residing at No. 11, Li Yuen Street, with stealing a piece of black cloth valued at fifty cents, from his office on Saturday. The tall man, it was alleged, went to complainant's office on no particular business. On leaving he picked up a piece of cloth, which was lying on the floor, placed it under his jacket and proceeded to leave. He was arrested. Defendant, who was dressed in a long coat, denied that he took the cloth. He explained that he did so work for the last month and had only forty-seven cents to his name. He was sent to the stocks for four hours and to be exposed in the stocks for four hours.

MRS. DANENBERG, who resides at No. 8, Chancery Lane, charged a public chair coolie before Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne, on Monday, at the Police Court, with using abusive and insulting language towards her yesterday afternoon. From the evidence heard it would appear that the complainant engaged defendant chair for half an hour. On returning home she paid the coolie fifteen cents—the legal rate. Thereupon he became very disorderly and used most insulting language, concluding with "If you have no money don't take a chair." Defendant denied insulting complainant. He complained that he was not properly paid, but did not speak to complainant, he was speaking to his *foh*, and called witnesses to substantiate his statement. He was found guilty, however, and was fined \$2 and cautioned.

SOME days ago, the master of a carpenter's shop at No. 80, Nullah Lane, Wanchai, engaged a matched builder to superintend the discharge of 300 pieces of China pine wood, ranging from twelve to thirty-two feet long, at the reclamation works at Blanche Point. This was done to the great satisfaction of the matched builder was paid. Instead of looking out for a job, the matched builder went about to work on the get-rich-quick system, which, as usual, turned against him. He engaged a junk on the 5th instant, returned to the reclamation works, where he had deposited the pine wood, seized the 300 pieces, and sailed for Cheung Chau Island, where he was arrested yesterday. The wood was valued at \$750. On being arraigned before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, on Saturday, the defendant got four months' hard labour and four hours' stocks.

TSANG Sing Cho, alias Tsang Kow Tow, alias Tsang Kak Shek, a student, residing at No. 47, Wong-pei-chong Road, was arrested at No. 5, Stanton Street, yesterday, by Detective Sergeant Barker, on a charge of being a vagabond. He was arraigned before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, on Monday, and pleaded guilty. He was fined \$5 and sentenced to four months' hard labour and four hours' stocks. He was arraigned before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, on Monday, and pleaded guilty. He was fined \$5 and sentenced to four months' hard labour and four hours' stocks.

AFRO from a man, which looks as if it were made of a piece of flapping, was found by a Malay named Bakri while working all over at Simbi, ulu Paasi. The gun still bears the faintly legible inscription in Chinese, "General of the San Tiow Kwai Kong." This is the *San Tiow Kwai Kong*, which attacked Kuching during the Chinese insurrection.

INSPECTOR Gourlay, of No. 2 Police Station, arraigned a coolie named Tseng Lok, of No. 9, Wing Fung Street, before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, on Friday, at the Police Court, on a charge of affixing a poster on the walls of the "aval yard" yesterday, without permission. The poster referred to a new brand of cigarettes lately introduced in Hongkong. The charge was admitted and a fine of \$5 imposed.

WE are glad to learn that Sir Haviland de Saumarez has left the Victoria Nursing Home, Shanghai, and has returned to his own home. A notification to the public states that on and after today Sir Haviland de Saumarez will be prepared to receive applications at 10, Yates Road between the hours of 11 and 12 in the morning. Applicants not represented by Counsel must make an appointment with the Registrar.

THREE shopkeepers, carrying on business at Nos. 186, 188 and 196, Queen's Road East, were summoned before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, on Friday, at the Police Court, by Sergeant Lee, of No. 2 Police Station, for failing to cover a quantity of fireworks which they had exposed for sale in their shops. The shopkeepers admitted the charge, but held that they did not know the law required such goods to be covered. They paid \$5 each.

AT the Supreme Court, on Friday, the January Criminal Sessions were formally opened by His Honour Mr. A. G. Wise, Puisne Judge, who then immediately adjourned them until Monday next, and proceeded with the usual weekly summary settlement list. His Honour the Chief Justice was engaged during the day in the Original Jurisdiction Court, hearing further evidence in the disputed insurance case, which has occupied the Court for the past few days.

THREE stonecutters were charged before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, on Friday, with occupying a portion of Crown land, at the junction of Des Voeux and Connaught Roads West, for the purpose of storing stones, without a permit from the D. P. W. Mr. F. H. Dillon, land bailiff, said he visited the spot yesterday and spoke as to the encroachment. His Worship adjourned the case until to-morrow to allow accused to clear away the stones and to come up for judgment.

POLICE Constable Urwin, of the Water Police Station, who was on second night duty in the police pinnace, boarded Dock launch 7K, shortly after midnight last night, and arrested four men—the coxswain of Dock launch No. 9, the engineer of the *Zda*, the stoker of *OK*, and the cook of No. 7—on a charge of gambling. The men were playing dominoes. They came before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, on Friday, at the Police Court, and were fined \$5 each. The money and implements found on the launch were confiscated.

THE *Cablenews* of 15th inst. says:—The *Baltmore* goes to Olongapo to enter the dry dock to-day, and as soon as this ship is finished one of the others will enter until all ships have been repaired. The *Baltmore* is a ship of 10,000 tons, built in 1910, and is now under repair. The ship is owned by the U.S. Navy and is now in the hands of the U.S. Navy. The ship is now in the hands of the U.S. Navy.

A CHINAMAN, who was amusing himself in Queen's Road West last night by throwing bombs at people's heels, giving them a surprise when the explosion occurred, received a greater surprise himself when he was grabbed by P. C. Parr and rushed to No. 7 Police Station on a charge of disorderly behaviour. He gave his name as U On, a watchman, employed by Shin Lee, the contractor, who, after being searched, it was said that the racket this man created with his bombs last evening was such as to awake nearly all the inmates of the Sailors' Home, who rushed out inquiring who was being murdered. The defendant was arraigned before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, on Saturday, at the Police Court, and was found guilty. He paid \$5.

MR. F. A. HAZELAND has made up his mind that the constant nuisance caused at the Peak by night coolies dumping the contents of their buckets into drains must be stopped. Within the past week no less than four convictions have been recorded against these coolies. On Saturday, at the Police Court, Inspector McHardy, of Mount Gough Police Station, charged a coolie, who was only convicted the other day, with the offence. He was alleged to have emptied the contents of his buckets in a drain on Peak Road, near Mount Austin Barracks, and opposite to Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewitt's unoccupied house. "There is a good deal of this thing going on at the Peak, I believe," said his Worship. "Pay a fine of \$5, or go to prison for one month." He went in.

THE visit of Admiral Moore and his officers to Bangkok, that great great city, has been a most successful one. The admiral and his staff have enjoyed their stay there, and it may be safely said that their hosts will remember their visit with pleasure. Of late years the duties of the British fleet have been mainly social. Apart from routine duties and manoeuvres, the Navy has fulfilled the pleasant functions of international festivities and visits of courtesy. Millions are being spent in constructing battleships, ships which no gun can pierce and which no gun can sink. The Navy has been a force of fortitude at the millennium fireworks and football. Long may it continue so; and meantime we are all grateful in Bangkok for our share of the pleasant social rounds of the British warships.

INSPECTOR McHardy, of Mount Gough Police Station, the Peak while out on patrol, yesterday, met a Chinese woman loitering about Chamberlain's road. He thought he had seen "that face somewhere before." He walked up to the lady and asked her if she would mind him accompanying her as far as the Station on the Mount. When they arrived there she was made to answer some questions. She gave her name as Kong Tana, a widow, fifty years of age. She admitted and signed the statement, book that she had read the term. That settled the matter and she was held. This woman was formerly known as a professional kidnapper and it was for that offence that she was banished from the Colony in July, 1965. When the case was called on before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, on Friday, Mr. H. Harding appeared for the defence and a remand was granted.

THE *Japan Chronicle* understands that from various contemporary reports that the accommodation of the Sasebo naval arsenal and shipbuilding yard is to be extended to equal that of the Yokosuka naval arsenal and shipbuilding yard. The establishment at Sasebo is also to be largely extended, and the estimate for these works is included in the Budget for next year.

THE sixth case this week of dumping night soil into side-channels at the Peak was heard before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, this morning, at the Police Court, when Lian Tung Ka, a contractor's coolie, residing at No. 9, Upper Ringier Street, was charged with the offence. Inspector McHardy, who prosecuted, said that on this occasion the night soil, deposited in a side-channel near house No. 123, Plantation Road, H. E. Mr. F. H. May's residence. Accused paid \$5.

POLICE Sergeant Blackman, of Kowloon City Police Station, prosecuted a stonecutter at the Police Court, this morning, for being in possession of seven loads of gunpowder and a quantity of fuse. The defendant—Lau Tak—admitted the charge, saying that the powder was used for blasting purposes. The sergeant said that when he visited accused's matted at Tai Wan yesterday he found the gunpowder, which was stored in a coverless receptacle, near to a coal pot which was burning away merrily. Mr. Hazeland imposed a penalty of \$15.

RUIZ Varragoes, a Chilean, residing at No. 64, Connaught Road Central, and Torazo Wada, a Japanese seaman, unemployed, were separately charged this morning at the Police Court, with being drunk and disorderly the night previously. Both pleaded guilty. The Chilean, it was said, was scrapping with a Japanese in Queen's Road East and they obstructed the traffic for several minutes. Wada, according to the police, was refusing to give his name to a policeman who was trying to get him to go to the station. He was promptly taken to the station and the door. They were each fined \$5.

A COOLIE, Lam Kai by name, was arraigned before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, on Tuesday, at the Police Court, at the instance of Police Sergeant Sim, on a charge of burglary. The accused broke into an unnumbered house at Seng-chai-go at five o'clock this morning and was leaving the premises with a box containing \$33 worth of clothing when he was spotted by one of the inmates, who at that time was getting up to go to work. A chase followed and accused was arrested. His Worship convicted him and he was sentenced to one month's hard labour and four hours' stocks.

"ERECTING an inflammable structure on Crown land without permission on the 17th instant," was the charge against two matched builders at the Police Court, on Friday. Defendants said that the structure was put up by the order of Messrs. Palmer and Turner and that a permit had been applied for. The land bailiff stated that the matched in question, was erected on a plot of ground in Connaught Road West. As far as he knew no permit had been issued to erect this structure from the Public Works Department. Mr. F. A. Hazeland adjourned the case for inquiry to be made as to whether a permit had been issued.

HO FAT, a fireman, on board the C. P. R. Company's liner *Empress of China*, was charged before Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne, on Tuesday, at the Police Court, with behaving in a disorderly manner on tramcar No. 13 last evening. The conductor of the car stated that accused boarded his car at Oberlin Road and paid three cents to go to Tai Wong Street. On arrival there accused refused to leave the car. A row followed between him and the conductor, during which accused dragged the ticket-collector out of the car and kicked him. He attempted then to get away, but was arrested. He was fined \$2.

AT about half-past six o'clock on Monday, a hawker, who resides and also sells tea and cakes in a shed at Pokfulam, was held up by "robbers" near the 3rd Bridge half way between West Point and Pokfulam. The hawker, according to the report he made to Inspector Collett, at No. 7 Police Station, was on his way to Hongkong to purchase a supply of tea and cakes for his business. At the place mentioned three men attacked him from behind. One seized him by the queue and rubbed pepper in his eyes, another held him round the waist, while the third went through his pockets and took \$2. After that the hawker was released in the direction of Shek-tong-lui. The police have the matter in hand, but no arrests have been made up to this morning.

AT about half-past six o'clock on Sunday the policeman "on duty" in Des Voeux Road Central found a Chinaman lying on the tram track in an unconscious condition. An ambulance was called and the man taken to the Central Police Station. While he was being prepared for removal to hospital the man regained consciousness and informed Inspector Warnock as to how he got into that condition. He said he was a coolie employed in the Quarry Bay Shipyard. On Sunday, he was on the tram on board a tramcar, and the tram was still in motion in Des Voeux Road he sprang out landing on his head. There were no bruises about him, but he complained of great pains in the head. He was sent to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

TWO boys, respectively eleven and seven years of age, were brought before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, this morning, at the Police Court, on a charge of obstructing a tramcar and endangering the lives of those on board at Shau-ki-wan, yesterday morning. "Don't blame me—I didn't do it," chirped the two youngsters together. According to the evidence of several witnesses the lads placed an iron nut in the groove of the tram lines and covered it with sand so that it would not be noticed by the motorman. The lads were in the way when the tram passed over the nut, shaking up the passengers. They laughed on the other side of their faces when they were removed to the Shau-ki-wan Police Station. Both were found guilty, and his Worship made an order that the boys be punished by their parents to the satisfaction of Inspector Robertson.

CHARGE-ROOM Constables Brennan and Constable Montague, cater to the police mess, Central Station, were the complainants in a larceny case which was heard before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, to-day. They charged Ng Kau, the Station's cook, and Leung Cho, a *foh* in the employ of Chuen Wo, a contractor, with stealing two pounds of bacon, the property of the mess. Inspector Ritchie stated that complaints have been made of late as to the quality of the food supplied to the mess. P. C. Montague spoke as to the larceny in weight of some of the stuff the mess had been receiving recently. Constable Brennan said that early this morning he saw the two defendants leaving the Station. The contractor's *foh* carried the bacon. He arrested them. The cook gave the Court to understand that when the second defendant brought in the day's provisions he took away the bacon. The second defendant explained that the cook made him a present of the bacon. His Worship found the cook not guilty, but sentenced the contractor's coolie to three weeks' hard labour.

THE Peking Government "begin" to feel anxious about the Canton Railway, as there are already disputes amongst the local gentry. The Government intends to appoint a high official, of either Nanking or Yenchow, to Canton, to settle any disputes amongst the Cantonese gentry regarding the railway.

WO G Yau, a coolie, no money, no fixed place of abode, and unemployed, figured before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, on Wednesday, on a charge of stealing a purse containing \$8 from a hawker, yesterday. Accused pleaded not guilty. The hawker, Chong Kam Fuk, said that at two o'clock yesterday afternoon he was in a crowd bargaining for the purchase of some cheap shoes, when he felt a hand in his breast pocket. He turned round and saw accused speeding down the road, with his purse in one hand. He gave chase, but accused was caught by a district watchman at the corner. Sequel: Six weeks' hard labour and four hours' stocks.

THE coolie, Chan Cheung, who was arrested in Des Voeux Road Central, on Sunday afternoon and ordered to be held in police custody yesterday by Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, on a charge of theft, came before the Bench on Tuesday for sentence. The accused, it was alleged, rushed up to the corner of the Shing Kee money-changer's shop and snatched from the hand of the accountant a roll of Kwangtung banknotes. He made an attempt to escape, but was arrested after a hot chase. The roll of bills was not recovered. His Worship sent accused to gaol for six weeks and ordered him to be exposed in the stocks for four hours.

THE coxswain of the steam-launch *Alexandra* was before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, on Tuesday, at Police Court, in answer to a summons, taken out by P. C. Roby, which accused defendant of failing to exhibit his licence in a conspicuous place on board the launch, on the 10th instant. The coxswain maintained that as the launch was undergoing repairs he did not think it was necessary to exhibit his licence, as the launch was not doing any work. The police stated that as far as they knew the *Alexandra* had been running for some time. They believed that accused's licence was on shore. The case was remanded in order to allow the police to make inquiries at the Harbour Department as to whether the coxswain owned a licence or not.

HOUSE No. 44, Walled City, Kowloon City, occupied by a farmer, was broken into by two robbers, last night, who immediately started to look for loot. They gathered altogether a blanket, which they removed from under the sleeping farmer, a bed curtain, taken off the bed, a bed cover, which they slid from under a sleeping woman, and an umbrella, total value \$4.50. They were at the point of leaving the house when they were noticed by the farmer, who, on being separated from his blanket, farmer got near enough to see the burglars. The burglars were arrested and turned over to Inspector Cameron, of Kowloon City Police Station. Mr. F. A. Hazeland, on Saturday, at the Police Court, sent the pair to gaol for six weeks and ordered them to be exposed in the stocks for four hours.

A FARMER from Samshui, who had been greatly annoyed by robbers in the past, came to Hongkong a few days ago specially to purchase a revolver. He secured one, yesterday, in a shop at West Point, had it loaded, and putting it in his pocket, started to "do" the town. A *lunkong* on duty in Queen's Road Central had his suspicions aroused when he saw the farmer coming down the road with his pocket bulging out. He thought, "A stolen property here, when the instant he was stopped and searched. A journey to the Central Police Station was the result. The farmer was arraigned before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, on Wednesday, at the Police Court, and he pleaded guilty to carrying a loaded revolver without police permission. He explained why he wanted the "six-shooter," and was discharged. The revolver is now the property of the Crown.

CHAN Yuk Chi, an accountant, employed in a shop at No. 1, Lower Lascar Row, fell into the hands of Police Constable Parr at Shek-tong-lui last evening and had to pay for his freedom at the Police Court this morning. Chan and a few of his personal friends, all dressed in flowing long-coats, went down to West Point last night for dinner. Before the "chow" was finished Chan had to be put to bed, for he was getting quarrelsome. On the way home he refused to go with his friends, but started an argument with a hawker, and for all his friends could do Chan would not budge. His noise was heard by Constable Parr, who was standing at the corner, and the row ended when Chan was taken to No. 7 Police Station. On Wednesday he came before Mr. F. A. Hazeland looking very ill indeed. In addition he had a nasty wound under his left eye which he could not account for. He admitted the offence and was fined \$5.

MANY newspapers, and especially those in the Far East, make a feature of describing with more or less accuracy the dresses worn by ladies at garden-parties, concerts and similar public functions. A correspondent of a Malay paper writes an effective protest to his favourite journal in the following terms:—I see you have again permitted your columns to be filled with that sort of vulgar mind—a drapery list of the elite of Kuala Lumpur this time. On this occasion it is even more shockingly written than usual. Whatever interest can be evoked by the remark "Miss Page green and white"? One at once pictures a violent apple green with huge white stripes. Again, we are told that "a perfect deluge came down just before the last race," and our only hope is that Mr. Talbot, who was dressed only "in a cream hat" was not so much as catch her dress of cold in so unseasonably airy a costume. What absurd nonsense it all is!—It is absurd nonsense, yet it is done ad nauseam by some Far Eastern newspapers other than those in the Malay States and the Straits Settlements. We would commend the above to them. *Japan Chronicle*

ENCOURAGED by the success of its note issue of smaller denominations the Banco Nacional Ultramarino has just put in circulation their notes of \$25 denomination. The National is one of the most important banking institutions in Portugal and three years ago established a branch at Macao, which some time later, the necessity of a sub-agency in the important business centre in this Colony. Negotiations were soon completed with Messrs. Rosario & Co., of Hongkong, under whose manager, Mr. J. J. Leira, the local business of the Banco Ultramarino was initiated and efficiently fostered. It was through the efforts of Mr. Leira that the notes of the Portuguese Bank were first accepted in Hongkong eleven months ago and to-day we understand that so great is the popularity of these foreign notes considered that they are accepted by all the local banks at their face value and, moreover, have ready circulation among traders between Hongkong and Macao. So extensive has the business of the Banco Ultramarino developed that it is no exaggeration to state that the institution's turn-over in the Colony runs into millions for a single twelve-month period. The \$25-note is similar to those of the \$5 and \$10 bills; it is printed in black on a red ground with white gold paper.

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